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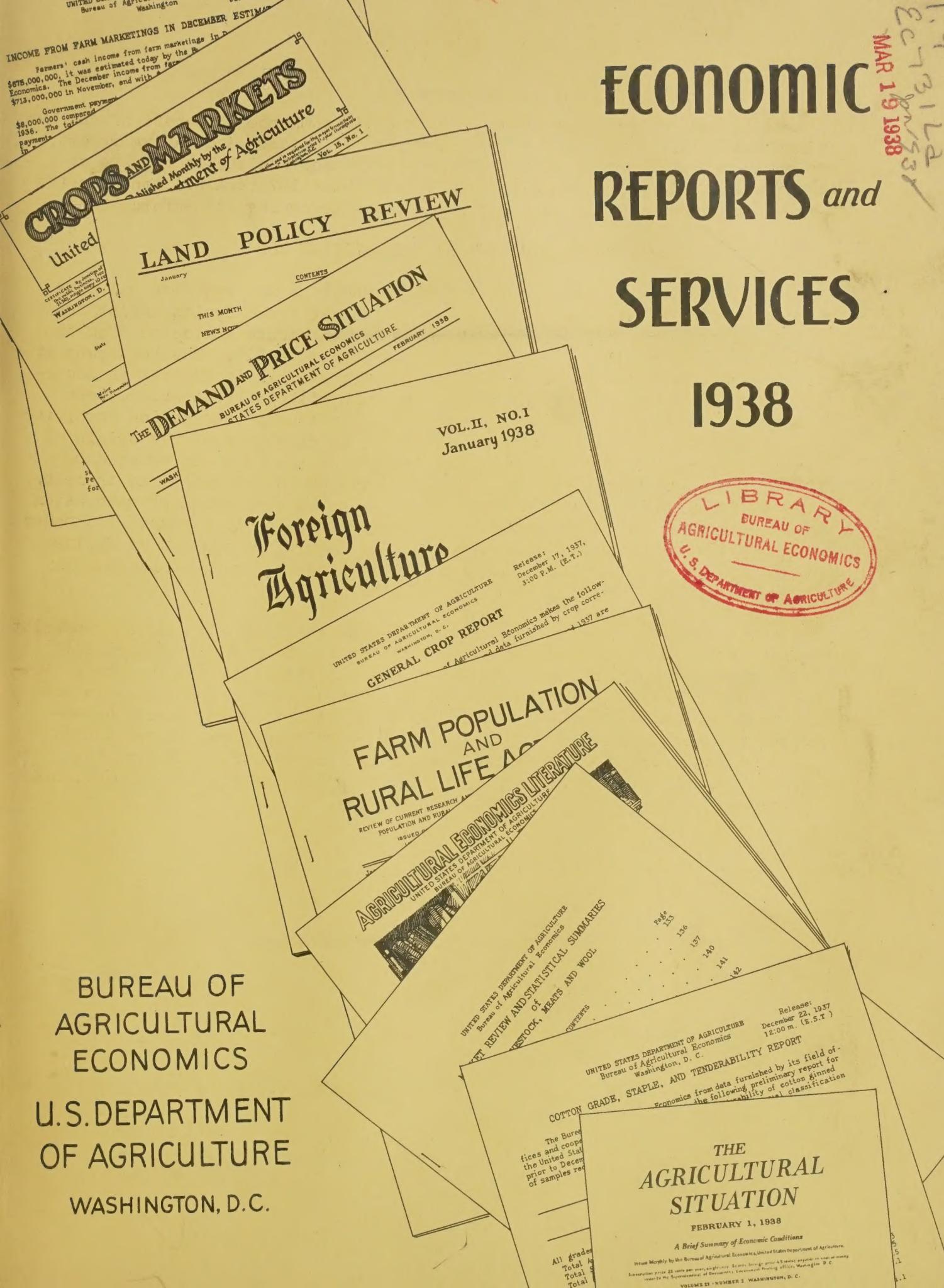


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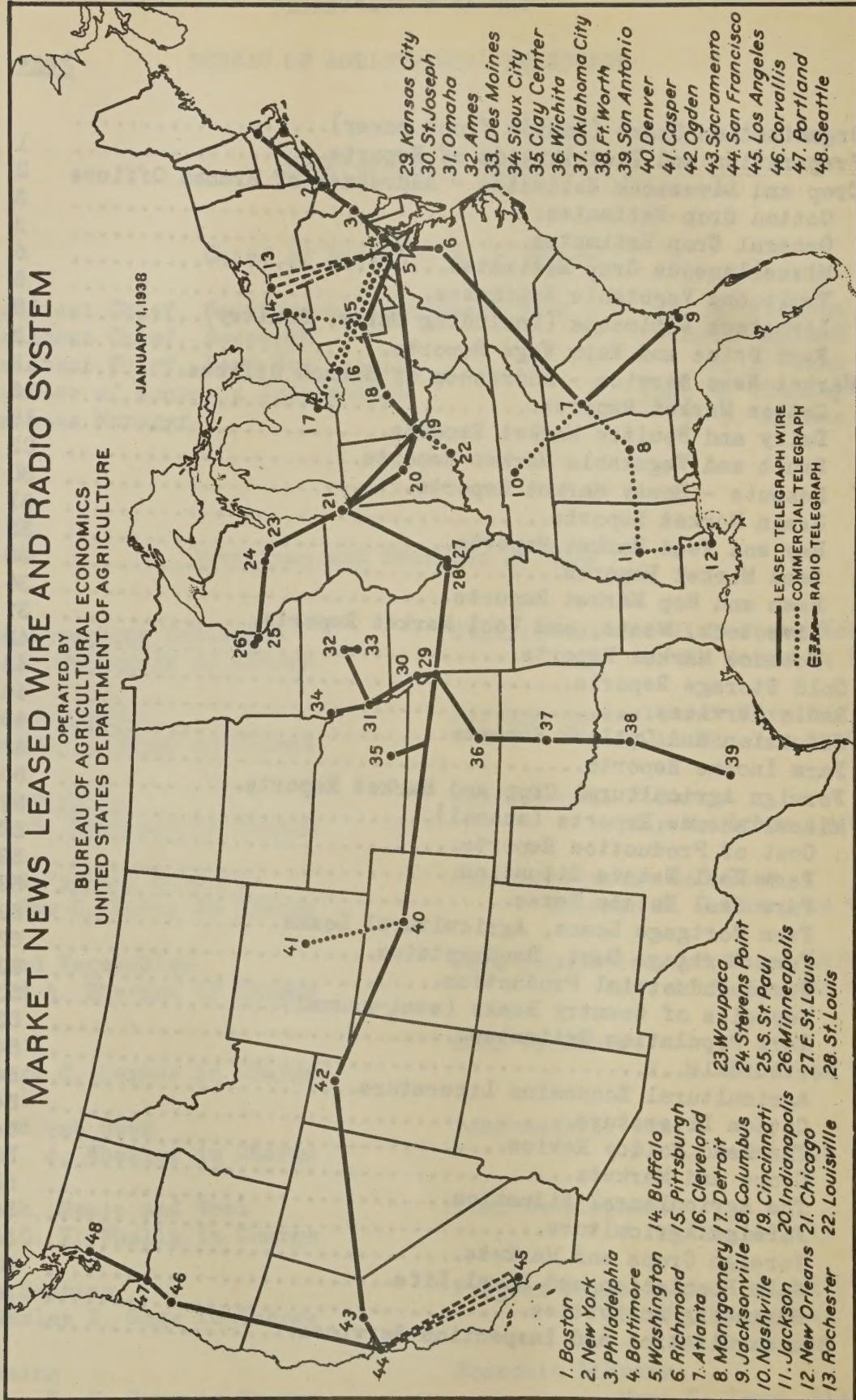
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# ECONOMIC REPORTS AND SERVICES<sup>1/</sup>

## PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS

Crop and Livestock Estimates are prepared from information gathered from crop reporters and others including a Washington staff and State statisticians reporting for each of the States. The major reports of this service are assembled in Washington, approved by the Crop Reporting Board and the Secretary of Agriculture, and distributed from Washington.

Market News Reports are based on information gathered in the principal markets and producing sections of the country. The reports cover the following commodities: cotton, livestock, meats and wool, fruits and vegetables, dairy and poultry products, grain, hay, feed and seed, tobacco, honey, peanuts, hops, etc. The information gathered simultaneously in many offices, is transmitted from one office to another by leased wire, and is released in all of the markets. The reports are mimeographed and mailed from the various branch offices of the Bureau.

Foreign Agricultural Information is gathered through the Bureau's foreign offices, from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, and from other foreign representatives of the Government and received by radio, cable, and mail.

Situation, Outlook, Income, and Price Reports are prepared in Washington and issued in printed, mimeographed, and press-release form, as completed. This information, at least in part, is also sent over the leased wire and distributed through the market news offices. Mailing lists, however, are maintained in Washington.

Technical Research Reports, Reports of Special Studies, etc., are prepared and issued from Washington in mimeographed and printed publications. When printed, they appear in the Department's series of publications including Technical Bulletins, Circulars, Farmers' Bulletins, Miscellaneous Publications, Handbooks, etc. All are distributed from Washington.

Assignment to the Bureau of responsibility for development of the land utilization program authorized by Title III of the Bankhead-Jones Act has resulted in expanding its work in land-use planning and land economics. A series of land economics reports is issued. Printed bulletins on land use are published, and mimeographed reports on land problems of local interest are issued by the field offices.

The Bureau staff in February 1938 included 3,363 workers of whom about 1,174 were in Washington, 2,140 in field stations, and 49 in foreign countries. The informational material is gathered and prepared largely by the divisions listed on the inside front cover of this publication, each of which controls its own branch offices.

For additional agricultural economic information write  
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CROP AND LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES

The Crop and Livestock estimating service consists of the Federal Crop Reporting Board and an operating staff in Washington and in 40 branch offices. Each branch office is under the direction of an Agricultural Statistician who works under the general supervision of the Washington office, gathering and distributing information for their respective States. The names and addresses of State Statisticians are listed below.

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CROP ESTIMATES

The crop estimates prepared by the Crop Reporting Board are released, as required by law, at exact hours on dates specified by the Secretary of Agriculture. The dates shown below are those on which the scheduled reports will be issued during 1938. Dates for release of other reports, not specified by law, are given following the list of scheduled reports.

These reports are given general distribution to the public by the press and radio, and by wire to the State offices. Mimeographed copies are distributed immediately after release to persons who request them. The reports are printed in the monthly statistical periodical "Crops and Markets" which is sent free to officials, and which is available to others for \$1 a year. All remittances should be sent to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office.

Cotton Report Release Dates in 1938

Released at 11:00 A. M., E. T.

May 25: Revision of acreage, yield per acre, and production of cotton, lint and seed, produced in the preceding season; also reduction from full yield per acre due to boll weevil and other causes.

July 8: Report on the acreage of cotton in cultivation on July 1.

August 8: Report as of August 1 on condition, indicated yield per acre, and indicated total production.

September 8: Report as of September 1 on condition, indicated yield per acre, and indicated total production; also an estimate of the acreage of cotton abandoned since July 1.

October 8: Report as of October 1 on condition, indicated yield per acre, and indicated total production.

November 8: Report as of November 1 on yield per acre and probable total production.

December 8: Report as of December 1 on yield per acre and estimated total production; gross weight per running bale; also estimated acreage of cotton for harvest, abandoned since July 1, and acreage in cultivation July 1.

General Crops Report Release Dates in 1938

Released at 3:00 P. M., E. T.

January 10: Report on stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms January 1; condition of citrus fruits, production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

March 18: Report on acreage of crops for harvest in 1938 indicated by reported intentions.

April 11: Report on condition as of April 1 of winter wheat, rye, and pasture; forecast production of winter wheat and citrus fruits; for certain States reports on condition of peaches and potatoes; also stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms on April 1; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

May 10: Report as of May 1 covering acreage remaining for harvest, condition, and forecast production of winter wheat, and rye; forecast production of citrus fruits; condition of tame hay, pasture, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; stocks of hay on farms; and for certain States, reports on condition of oats, potatoes, peaches, pears, and grapes; revised acreage and production of sugar crops; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

June 10: Report as of June 1 on condition and forecast production of winter wheat, rye, peaches, pears, and cherries; condition of spring wheat, oats, barley, hay, pasture, apples, citrus fruits, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; stocks of barley and rye on farms on June 1; preliminary production of crimson clover seed; for certain States reports on condition of potatoes and grapes; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

July 11: Report as of July 1 on stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms; acreage, condition, and forecast production of corn, winter wheat, spring wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed, rice, hay, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, dry edible beans, and hops; acreage of soybeans, cowpeas and velvet beans, sugarcane for sirup, and sorghum for sirup; acreage and condition of peanuts; preliminary production of Kentucky Blue Grass seed; condition and indicated production of apples, peaches, pears, grapes, cherries, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; condition of pasture and citrus fruits; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

August 10: Estimates of yield per acre and indicated production of winter wheat and rye; acreage of buckwheat, and grain sorghums; report as of August 1 on condition and forecast production of corn, spring wheat, oats, barley, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, hay, dry edible beans, apples, peaches, pears, grapes, pecans, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, hops and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; preliminary production of red top clover seed and timothy seed; condition of pasture, peanuts, soybeans, cowpeas, and citrus fruits; production of cherries; stocks of rice on farms on August 1; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

September 9: Report as of September 1 on condition and forecast production of corn, spring wheat, oats, barley, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, tame hay, dry edible beans, peanuts, hops, apples, peaches, pears, grapes, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, pecans, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; acreage of peanuts for nuts; yield per acre and indicated production of wild hay; preliminary production of red clover seed, alsike clover seed and sweetclover seed; condition of pasture, soybeans, cowpeas and citrus fruits; acreage and production of cranberries; Production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

October 10: Report as of October 1 on stocks of corn, wheat, and oats on farms; estimates of yield per acre and indicated production of spring wheat, oats, barley, tame hay, dry edible beans, sugar beets, hops, and cranberries; condition and forecast production of corn, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, peanuts, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, apples, pears, grapes, pecans, citrus fruits and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; preliminary production of alfalfa seed; production of peaches; condition of pasture, soybeans, and cowpeas; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

November 10: Report as of November 1 on yield per acre and production of corn, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, dry edible beans, peanuts, potatoes, sweetpotatoes, tobacco, sugar beets, sugar-cane syrup, sorgo syrup; acreage, yield per acre, and production of cowpeas and soybeans; preliminary production of lespedeza seed; production of apples, pears, grapes, cranberries, pecans, and miscellaneous fruits and nuts; condition and production of citrus fruits; condition of pasture; production of milk per cow; and production of eggs per 100 hens.

December 19: Report on revised acreage, yield per acre, and production of all crops.

December 21: Report as of December 1 on acreage and condition of winter wheat and rye for harvest the following year.

#### Miscellaneous Crop Estimates

Wheat Stocks in Mills and Elevators.—This report is issued on the following dates: January 24, April 22, July 22, and October 24.

Bean Production by Varieties.—This report shows production of dry edible beans, by varieties, by States; mimeographed for separate distribution, usually in January.

Tobacco by Class and Type (Acreage, Production, and Value).—This is a semi-annual report and is published in April and December in "Crops and Markets"; also in mimeographed form. Forecasts of tobacco production by types are published monthly from July to November in the general crop report.

Peanut Stocks Report.—This report issued in mimeographed form about the 15th of the month contains statistics, by types, of raw peanuts owned by millers, dealers, and manufacturers. It also includes stocks of raw peanuts held in commercial warehouses.

#### Fruit and Vegetable Estimates

Fruit and Nut Crop Reports.—State statistics on fruit and nut-crop production are included in the general crop report issued about the 10th of each month. Reports on indicated production of citrus fruits of preceding year's bloom are also issued about the 10th of February and March. Rarely are estimates made of the quantity of production utilized for canning, drying, or other manufacturing. Except for strawberries there are no established series of estimates on small-fruit production.

Potato and Sweetpotato Reports.—The detailed statistical reports on total production of Irish (or white) potatoes and sweetpotatoes, by States, are included in the general crop report. Several special reports on potatoes are also issued during the year, the following being the more important.

(1) Report on Merchantable Potato Stocks on hand January 1 in 37 late and intermediate States, including an analysis of the utilization of the crop, is available about January 28.

(2) Reports on Commercial Early Potato Production in 19 States, chiefly in the South but extending as far north as New Jersey, Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri, and Nebraska; including reports regarding intended commercial acreage in successive groups of States, issued from October to March, and production reports from April to August are followed by summary reports for the season.

Other Vegetable and Truck Crop Reports.—State statistics are compiled and issued covering the commercial production of various important vegetable and truck crops. The reports are divided into two distinct series as follows:

(1) Commercial Truck Crops for Shipment, commonly called Truck Crop Reports, comprising estimates on strawberries, cantaloups, watermelons, and the principal vegetables that are grown for shipment by rail, boat or auto truck to markets more or less distant from the point of production. Local or market-garden production is not included in these estimates except insofar as local sales occur as a minor phase of the shipping enterprise. In most of the reports the estimates are shown for successive groups of competitive States arranged according to usual marketing season.

(2) Truck Crops for Commercial Manufacture, commonly called Canning Crop Reports, comprising estimates of the principal vegetable crops utilized by canning and packing establishments, including pimientos, cucumbers for pickles and cabbage for kraut.

The truck and canning crop reports are prepared in the form of commodity sheets, each containing current statistics and crop comments for one or more groups of States. At occasional intervals, a collection of timely crop-news items is issued without statistical matter. The dates for release of reports are set according to the usual season of the commodity in each group of States.

#### Commercial Truck Crop Estimates

The following program shows the approximate dates for the release of reports containing State details on planting intentions, preliminary estimates of acreage planted, and the first forecasts of production, arranged by seasonal groupings of States and areas.

In the last column, the months in which condition reports are usually available are indicated by numbers from 1 to 12, that is "1-4" indicating January to April, "11-5" November to May, etc. Condition inquiries are made as of the first of the month and reports are released on or about the 10th.

In addition to the reports listed below, stocks of cabbage, onions, and potatoes on hand as of January 1 are released about January 28; a report of pickle stocks (cucumbers) is released on December 9. Truck Crop News reports are issued semi-monthly. Special reports on damage from frost, freeze and flood are released immediately following the receipt of telegraphic confirmation of the actual damage from our truck-crop estimators in the field.

Dates of Commercial Truck Crop Estimates

Crop and group		Intended acreage	Planted acreage	Crop forecast	Condition (1st of mo.)
ARTICHOKEs:	California.....	-	Sept. 13	-	10-5
ASPARAGUS:	Early.....	-	Oct. 13	Mar. 11	2-6
	Late.....	-	Oct. 13	May 12	4-6
BEANS, LIMA:	Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	10-6
	Second Early.....	-	May 24	May 24	4-6
	Intermediate...(1)	-	May 24	June 13	5-7
	Intermediate...(2)	-	June 13	July 13	6-8
	Late.....	-	Oct. 12	Oct. 12	9-10
BEANS, SNAP:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	10-12
	Early.....(1)	-	Jan. 12	Jan. 12	1-3
	Early.....(2)	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-5
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	May 12	4-6
	Intermediate...(1)	-	May 24	May 24	5-6
	Intermediate...(2)	-	June 13	June 13	5-7
	Late.....(1)	-	Aug. 12	Aug. 12	7-9
	Late.....(2)	-	Oct. 12	Oct. 12	9-11
BEETS:	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 12	10-5
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-5
	Intermediate.....	-	June 13	June 13	5-6
	Late.....	-	Sept. 12	Sept. 12	7-10
CABBAGE:	Fall*.....	Sept. 13	Oct. 13	Dec. 10	10-1
(Including quantities used for Kraut manufacture)	Early.....	Oct. 13	Dec. 10	Jan. 12	11-4
	Second Early.....	Dec. 10	Feb. 11	Apr. 13	2-6
	Intermediate.....	Mar. 22	May 12	June 13	5-7
	Late (Domestic)....	Mar. 22	July 13	Aug. 12	6-10
	Late (Danish)....	Mar. 22	Aug. 12	Sept. 12	7-10
	" "	-	-	Oct. 12	-
	" "	-	-	Nov. 11	-
CANTALOUPS:	Early.....	-	Apr. 13	May 12	4-7
	Second Early.....	-	May 12	June 22	5-8
	Intermediate.....	-	June 22	July 22	6-8
	Late.....	-	June 22	Aug. 12	7-9
CARROTS:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	9-2
	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 12	10-4
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13	3-6
	Intermediate.....	-	June 13	June 13	5-7
	Late.....	-	Sept. 12	Sept. 12	6-10
CAULIFLOWER:	Fall & Winter*....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12	9-1
	Early.....	-	Mar. 11	Mar. 11	1-5
	Late.....(1)	-	July 13	Aug. 12	7-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept. 12	Oct. 12	8-11

<u>Crop and group</u>	<u>Intended acreage</u>	<u>Planted acreage</u>	<u>Crop forecast</u>	<u>Condition (1st of mo.)</u>
CELERY:	Fall & Winter*....	-	Sept. 13	Nov. 12 8-3
	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 12 11-5
	Second early.....	-	Feb. 11	Mar. 22 13-8
	Intermediate.....	-	July 13	July 13 5-8
	Late.....(1)	-	Aug. 12	Sept. 12 6-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept. 12	Oct. 12 7-11
CUCUMBERS:	Fall*.....	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12 9-12
	Early.....(1)	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 22 3-6
	Early.....(2)	-	Apr. 22	May 24 4-6
	Second Early.....	-	May 24	June 13 5-7
	Intermediate.....	-	June 13	July 13 6-8
	Late.....(1)	-	July 13	Aug. 12 7-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Oct. 12	Oct. 12 9-11
EGGPLANT:	Fall*.....	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12 9-12
	Early.....	-	Apr. 22	Apr. 22 1-7
	Second Early.....	-	July 13	July 13 6-8
	Late.....	-	Aug. 12	Aug. 12 7-10
GARLIC:	La. & Texas.....	-	May 24	May 24 4-6
	California.....	-	May 24	Aug. 12 5-8
KALE:	Virginia.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12 10-3
LETTUCE:	Early.....	-	Nov. 12	Dec. 10 10-3
	Second Early.....	-	Mar. 22	Mar. 22 3-5
	Intermediate.....	-	May 24	May 24 4-6
	Late.....(1)	-	June 13	July 13 5-10
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept. 12	Oct. 12 8-11
ONIONS:	Early.....	Nov. 12	Jan. 12	Apr. 13 11-5
	Intermediate.....	Mar. 22	Apr. 22	June 22 5-8
	Late.....	Mar. 22	June 22	Aug. 12 6-10
	" .....	-	-	Sept. 12 -
	" .....	-	-	Oct. 12 -
PEAS, GREEN:	Early.....	-	Feb. 11	Feb. 11 12-4
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13 3-6
	Intermediate...(1)	-	May 12	May 12 4-6
	Intermediate...(2)	-	May 24	May 24 4-6
	Late.....(1)	-	June 13	June 13 5-8
	Late.....(2)	-	Sept. 12	Sept. 12 8-11
	Late.....(3)	-	Nov. 11	Nov. 11 10-12
PEPPERS, GREEN:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12 10-12
	Early (Winter)....	-	Feb. 11	Feb. 11 1-4
	Early (Spring)....	-	May 12	May 12 5-6
	Second Early.....	-	June 22	June 22 5-7
	Intermediate...(1)	-	June 22	July 13 6-8
	Intermediate...(2)	-	June 22	Aug. 12 7-10
	Late.....	-	Oct. 12	Oct. 12 9-11
POTATOES, EARLY IRISH:**	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12 10-12
	Early.....(1)	-	Feb. 11	Apr. 13 12-5
	Early.....(2)	-	Mar. 18	May 12 4-7
	Second Early.....	Mar. 22	May 12	May 24 4-7
	Intermediate...(1)	Mar. 22	May 24	June 13 5-8
	Intermediate...(2)	Mar. 22	May 24	July 13 5-8

<u>Crop and group</u>	<u>Intended acreage</u>	<u>Planted acreage</u>	<u>Crop forecast</u>	<u>Condition (1st of mo.)</u>
PEPPERMINT:	-	Aug. 12	Aug. 12	7-10
SHALLOTS:	-	Jan. 12	Jan. 12	11-4
SPINACH:	Fall*.....	-	Oct. 13	Nov. 12
	Early.....	-	Dec. 10	Jan. 12
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 13	Apr. 13
	Intermediate.....	-	July 13	July 13
	Late.....	-	Oct. 12	Oct. 12
STRAWBERRIES:	Early.....	(1) Oct. 13	Dec. 10	Jan. 12
	Early.....	(2) Oct. 13	Feb. 11	Mar. 11
	Second Early.....	Oct. 13	Feb. 11	Apr. 13
	Intermediate.....	Oct. 13	Feb. 11	May 12
	Late.....	Oct. 13	Feb. 11	May 24
TOMATOES:	Fall*.....	-	Nov. 12	Nov. 12
	Early.....(1)	-	Jan. 12	Feb. 11
	Early.....(2)	-	Mar. 11	Apr. 22
	Second Early.....	-	Apr. 22	May 24
	Intermediate.....	-	May 24	June 22
	Late.....(1)	-	June 22	Aug. 12
	Late.....(2)	-	Aug. 12	Sept. 12
WATERMELONS:	Early.....	Mar. 22	Apr. 13	May 12
	Second Early.....	Mar. 22	May 12	June 22
	Late.....	May 12	June 22	Aug. 12

\* The crop in the "Fall" group furnishes the earliest supply in a new crop season, starting to market in the fall and early winter months preceding the main season.

\*\* Intentions-to-plant estimates of early Irish potatoes in all groups of States are released on October 12, 1938, and January 27, 1939.

#### Dates of Truck Crops for Commercial Manufacture (Or Canning)

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Intended acreage</u>	<u>Planted acreage</u>	<u>Crop forecast</u>	<u>Bi-monthly condition reports</u>
ASPARAGUS.....	-	Nov. 11	Mar. 11	2-6
BEANS, GREEN LIMA.....	May 12	July 13	Sept. 12, 22	6-10
BEANS, SNAP.....	Apr. 13	June 22	July 13, 22	5-9
BEETS.....	Apr. 22	July 13	Aug. 12, 23	
CABBAGE FOR KRAUT.....	Apr. 22	July 13	Sept. 12, 22	6-10
CORN, SWEET.....	Apr. 13	July 13	Oct. 12	
CUCUMBERS FOR PICKLES.....	Apr. 22	July 13	Sept. 12, 22	7-9
PEAS, GREEN.....	Mar. 11	May 24	June 22	5-7
PIMENTOS.....	-	June 13	July 13, 22	
SPINACH.....	Jan. 12	Mar. 11	Sept. 12, 22	7-10
TOMATOES.....	Apr. 22	July 13	Oct. 12	
			Aug. 12, 23	6-10
			Sept. 12, 22	
			Oct. 12	

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES (INCLUDING DAIRY, POULTRY)

Livestock Report Release Dates - 1938

Released at 12:00 noon E. T. on dates listed

January: Estimate of cattle on feed January 1. January 13...Issued at Washington.  
Estimate of sheep and lambs on feed January 1.  
January 14.....Issued at Washington.

February: Annual estimate of number and value of different species of livestock on farms January 1.February 17.Issued at Washington.

March: Estimate of wool shorn and pulled previous year.  
March 2.....Issued at Washington.  
Estimate of mohair production. March 10.....Issued at Washington.  
Report on size and condition of early lamb crop.  
March 11.....Issued at Washington.

April: Report on condition of Flint Hills and Osage Pastures. About April 11.....Issued at Denver.  
Estimate of cattle on feed April 1. April 13.....Issued at Washington.  
Report on development of early lamb crop.April 14..Issued at Washington.

May: Report on development of early lamb crop. May 13...Issued at Washington.

June: Report on shipments of cattle into Flint Hills and Osage pastures. About June 10.....Issued at Denver..  
Estimate of the 1938 spring pig crop. June 29.....Issued at Washington.

July: Estimate of the 1938 lamb crop. July 27.....Issued at Washington.

August: Preliminary estimate of wool shorn. August 3.....Issued at Washington.  
Estimate of cattle on feed August 1 and report on demand for feeding cattle. August 12.....Issued at Washington.  
Report on fall marketings of western cattle.  
About August 23.....Issued at Denver.  
Report on fall marketings of western sheep.  
About August 23.....Issued at Denver.

October: Report on the cattle feeding situation.October 12..Issued at Washington.  
Report on the lamb feeding situation. October 13...Issued at Washington.

November: Report on the cattle feeding situation.November 9..Issued at Washington.  
Report on the lamb feeding situation. November 11..Issued at Washington.

December: Report on the cattle feeding situation.December 12.Issued at Washington.  
Report on the lamb feeding situation. December 13..Issued at Washington.  
Estimate of the 1938 fall and total pig crop:  
December 22.....Issued at Washington.

For most of the above reports issued from Washington, State reports are issued in the most important livestock States, and a regional report is issued from the Denver regional livestock office.

Monthly reports on range and livestock condition in the Western States are issued from the Denver regional office and State reports are issued by most of the Western States.

### Dairy Estimates

Milk Production on the First of the Month.-This report contains one or two paragraphs and one table showing milk production per cow by States, as reported by crop correspondents. In certain months additional statistics on numbers of milk cows, total production of milk, quantity of grain being fed, and pasturage conditions in States where dairy products are produced are also included. Prepared for release with the General Crop Report on the 10th or 11th of the month, and also available as a separate mimeographed release usually about the 12th of the month.

Estimates of Annual Milk Production and Utilization on Farms.-This report issued annually about May contains estimates of average number of milk cows on farms during the preceding year, average annual milk production per cow, total milk production on farms, and the quantity of milk used for each purpose on farms. In addition, estimates of the quantity of each milk product sold from farms, the average price received per unit, the cash receipts from the sale of each dairy product, and total cash and gross farm income from dairy products are included. In several pages of text analysis is made of factors influencing production during that year and of significant changes in trend from year to year. Several tables give detailed figures by States. Prepared primarily for agricultural statisticians or economists, research and extension workers in the dairy field, executives in dairy manufacturing corporations and cooperatives, and dealers in dairy products.

### Poultry and Egg Production Estimates

Poultry and Egg Production Report.-This report shows the average number of hens and pullets of laying age and the number of eggs laid per flock and per 100 birds on the 1st day of the month. It also shows the number of young chickens on hand each month from May to July and in October. The number of pullets not yet of laying age is shown monthly from August to the following January. Monthly farm prices of chickens and eggs, and of feed for poultry, with the relations between the prices of feed and of poultry products are also included. Prepared for release with the General Crop Report, also available as a separate mimeographed release about the 12th of the month.

Estimates of the Numbers and Value of Chickens on Farms and Production and Value of Eggs.-This report shows by States the numbers and value of chickens on farms January 1; number produced, value consumed on farms and sold from farms for preceding year; number of hens and pullets in farm flocks on January 1; estimated total production and value of chicken eggs for preceding year; and number and value consumed on farms and sold from farms. Issued annually about February 15.

Turkeys Raised.-Number of turkeys on hand September 1 are published annually about September 15.

#### FARM PRICE AND FARM WAGE REPORTS

Prices Received by Farmers for Farm Products.—This report is issued from Washington in mimeographed form on or about the 29th of each month. The report shows currently for the United States, average prices received by farmers for 42 farm products as of the 15th of each month; relative prices received by farmers for crops, livestock and livestock products, poultry and poultry products; index numbers of prices received by farmers by groups of commodities and for all groups; estimated prices of 42 farm products currently, by States; hog-corn ratios for the United States, the North Central States, and Iowa; indexes of prices paid by farmers for articles purchased, farm wage rate index numbers; and an index of the industrial wage level.

Two or more pages of each issue are devoted to a discussion of current changes in prices received by farmers. Price data from this report and excerpts from the discussion of prices received by farmers are published the following month in "Crops and Markets."

A report is published annually about the last week in December showing the average price received by farmers during the current crop marketing season for 67 items, with comparable data for the previous year. Another report is published annually about the third week in February showing calendar-year average prices received by farmers for 14 livestock and livestock product items for the two preceding years.

Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities Bought.—This report is issued with the above mentioned report of prices received by farmers. It is presented in the form of index numbers based upon information obtained from special correspondents at quarterly intervals. Commodities are grouped as follows: Family maintenance, with sub-groups; food, clothing, operating expenses, furniture, building material for house; commodities used in production, with sub-groups, farm machinery, fertilizer, building materials other than for house, equipment and supplies, and seeds. Prices paid by farmers for feed are collected monthly, and index numbers of feed prices are published monthly. Quarterly index numbers of prices paid by farmers for all groups combined are published along with estimates for the intervening months.

Farm Labor and Wage Rates.—This quarterly report is released in mimeographed form from Washington on or about the 15th of every January, April, July, and October, and is printed in "Crops and Markets." It contains average wage rates for farm labor per month and per day, with and without board; data on the supply of and demand for farm labor, by States, geographical divisions, and for the United States; farm employment, supply and demand statistics by geographical divisions with comparisons; an index of farm wage rates for the United States; and a brief discussion of current wage-rate changes.

Reports are issued for intervening months showing the employment on farms of crop reporters. Average piece work wage rates for picking cotton are published annually by States with the November 1 Farm Employment release.

THE MARKET NEWS SERVICE

The Market News Service of the Bureau has its headquarters in Washington but is operated through a series of branch offices. Each Branch office reports to its respective commodity division in Washington and gathers and distributes information only on the products covered by that division. These offices, as a rule, are not consolidated, in the principal cities, as each is located near the trading centers of the products it reports. Therefore no single office in the larger cities has on hand crop or market reports on all subjects. Separate mailing lists are maintained by different offices; consequently requests for publications should be sent to the proper office in a given city.

ADDRESSES OF BRANCH OFFICES, BY COMMODITIES

Cotton

City and State

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 522 New Post Office Bldg., 77 Forsyth St.
Austin, Texas	Bldg. "K", Little Campus, 19th & Red River Sts., P.O. Box 1140
Dallas, Texas	Room 502-B New Federal Bldg., P.O.Box 1366
El Paso, Texas	Room 509 U. S. Court House
Memphis, Tenn.	Room 326 Custom House & Post Office Bldg., P.O.Box 1183

Cottonseed

Memphis, Tenn. Room 212 Custom House & Post Office Bldg., P.O.Box 363

Dairy and Poultry Products

Boston, Mass.	Room 723 Appraisers' Stores Bldg., 408 Atlantic Ave.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 1103 New Post Office Bldg.
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 298 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 So. Central Ave.
New York, N. Y.	Room 418-a Federal Bldg., 641 Washington St.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Room 604-C Custom House Bldg.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 337 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 3 Ferry Bldg.
Seattle, Wash.	Room 508 Federal Office Bldg.

Fruits and Vegetables

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 525 New Post Office Bldg., 77 Forsyth St.
Baltimore, Md.(cover Washington Market)	Rooms 304-306 Custom House, Water, Gay & Lombard Sts.
Boston, Mass.	Room 722 Appraisers' Stores Bldg., 408 Atlantic Ave.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 305 Fruit Distributors Bldg., 1421 S.Aberdeen St.
Cincinnati, Ohio	Rooms 21-24 Fruit Exchange Bldg., 27 W. Front St.
Cleveland, Ohio	Room 10 Northern Ohio Food Terminal Bldg., 4000 E. Orange Ave.
Denver, Colo.	Room 555 U. S. Custom House, 19th & Stout Sts.
Detroit, Mich.	Room 25 Detroit Union Produce Term., 7201 W. Fort St.

Fruits and Vegetables - Cont'd

City and State

Fort Worth, Texas.	Rooms 511-13 U. S. Court House Bldg., 10th & Lamar Sts.
Kansas City, Mo.	Room 212 Railway Exchange Bldg., 7th & Walnut Sts.
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 300 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 So. Central Ave.
Minneapolis (Including St. Paul), Minn.	Room 302 Gorham Bldg.
New Orleans, La.	Room 323 Custom House Bldg., 423 Canal Street
New York, N. Y.	Room 408 Federal Bldg., 641 Washington St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	Room 245 Capitol Bldg.
Philadelphia, Pa.	Room 604-F U.S. Custom House Bldg.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	Room 438-J U.S. Post Office Bldg., 7th Ave. & Grant St.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 341 U.S. Court House, S.W. Broadway & Main St.
St. Louis, Mo.	Rooms 942-44 Court House & Custom House, 1114 Market St.
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 1 Ferry Bldg., foot of Market St.
Seattle, Wash.	Room 520 Federal Office Bldg., 1st & Madison St.

Grain

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 521 New Post Office Bldg., 77 Forsyth St.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 1101 New Post Office Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.	1513 Genesee Street
Minneapolis, Minn.	Room 121, Federal Office Bldg.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 339 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Hay

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 521 New Post Office Bldg., 77 Forsyth St.
Kansas City, Mo.	1513 Genesee Street
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 304 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 S. Central Ave.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 339 U. S. Court House

Feed

Atlanta, Ga.	Room 521 New Post Office Bldg., 77 Forsyth St.
Chicago, Ill.	Room 1101 New Post Office Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.	1513 Genesee Street
Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 304 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 S. Central Ave.
Minneapolis, Minn.	Room 121, Federal Office Bldg.
Portland, Oreg.	Room 339 U. S. Court House
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Beans

Los Angeles, Calif.	Room 304 Wholesale Terminal Bldg., 784 S. Central Ave.
San Francisco, Calif.	Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Hops

City and State

Portland, Oreg. Room 339 U. S. Court House  
San Francisco, Calif. Room 2 Ferry Bldg.

Livestock, Meats, and Wool

Baltimore, Md. Room 3 Claremont Hotel, Union Stock Yards  
Boston, Mass. Room 704, Appraisers' Stores Bldg., 408 Atlantic Ave.  
Buffalo, N. Y. Stockyards Office  
\*Casper, Wyoming Room 105 Federal Bldg.  
Chicago, Ill. Room 301, 999 Exchange Ave., Union Stock Yards  
Cincinnati, Ohio Livestock Exchange Bldg., Room 108  
Denver, Colo. Room 214 Livestock Exchange  
Des Moines, Iowa Room 307-8 U. S. Court House, 1st & Walnut Sts.  
Fort Worth, Texas 233 Livestock Exchange Bldg.  
Indianapolis, Ind. Room 244 Livestock Exchange  
Kansas City, Mo. 964 Livestock Exchange  
Los Angeles, Calif. Room 206 Livestock Exchange Bldg., Union Stock Yards  
Louisville, Ky. Room 231 Livestock Exchange Bldg.  
Nashville, Tenn. Room 3 War Memorial Bldg.  
National Stock Yards, Ill. Rooms 59-61 Exchange Bldg., (Mail address - P.O.Box 102)  
New York, N. Y. Room 418 Federal Bldg., 641 Washington St.  
No. Portland, Oreg. Room 207 Livestock Exchange Bldg.  
Ogden (including Salt Lake City), Utah 210 Livestock Exchange  
Oklahoma City, Okla. Room 204 Livestock Exchange Bldg.  
Omaha, Nebraska Room 305 Livestock Exchange Bldg.  
Philadelphia, Pa. Room 604-H Custom House Bldg.  
\*Pittsburgh, Pa. 306 Livestock Exchange  
\*San Antonio, Texas Room 202 Livestock Exchange Bldg. (Mail address -  
San Francisco, Calif. P. O. Box 800)  
\*Scottsbluff, Nebr. Room 2 Ferry Bldg.  
Sioux City, Iowa Federal Bldg. (January to April inclusive)  
So. St.Joseph, Mo. 103 Livestock Exchange  
So. St.Paul, Minn. Room 410 Livestock Exchange Bldg.  
Wichita, Kansas Room 203 Federal Bldg., 234 North Concord St.  
Room 22 Livestock Exchange

Tobacco

Louisville, Ky. Room 405 Federal Bldg., P. O. Box 480  
Raleigh, N. C. Room 310 Academy Bldg., P. O. Box 318

\*No reports mailed.

### COTTON MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington or from one or more of the Bureau's branch offices at Atlanta, Ga., Austin, Dallas, and El Paso, Texas, and Memphis, Tenn. These mimeographed reports are distributed free upon application. (For addresses of these branch offices, see page 13.)

#### Daily Reports:

Daily Official Report of the Designated Spot Cotton Markets.—Prices of Middling spot cotton prevailing at 14 designated spot markets and the grade and staple differences prevailing between Middling and other grades at 10 of these markets are given.

Issued at Atlanta.

#### Weekly Reports:

Cotton Market Review.—This report gives a résumé of the domestic and foreign cotton market situation up to the close of the market on Friday.

Issued Saturday at:	Atlanta	Memphis
	Dallas	Washington

Staple Premiums and Discounts.—This report gives the prevailing premiums and discounts for various staple lengths.

Issued Saturday at:	Atlanta	Memphis
	Dallas	

Weekly Review American Cotton Linters.—This report gives prices in cents per pound, uncompressed, in carlots f.o.b. southern mill points. Based on the official standard grades.

Issued Wednesday at Washington.

#### Semi-Monthly Reports:

Grade, Staple Length, and Tenderability of Cotton Ginned in the United States.—These reports, to be issued semi-monthly during the principal part of the ginning season on the same dates that the Bureau of the Census issues reports on ginnings, will show the total number of bales reported by the Bureau of the Census as having been ginned in the United States and in individual cotton-producing States to the end of specified semi-monthly periods and statistics on the proportions of the qualities of cotton ginned during the same periods.

To be issued twice a month, at 12 m., E.S.T., from Washington, D. C., for the whole Cotton Belt and at 3 p.m., E.S.T., from Austin, Dallas, and El Paso, Tex.; Atlanta, Ga.; and Memphis, Tenn., for States and districts into which States are divided.

Monthly Report:

The Cotton Situation.—Contains certain basic information bearing on current outlook, including observations of foreign supply and demand conditions. Issued about the 25th of each month. (See page 46.)

Seasonal Report:

Grade, Staple Length, and Tenderability of Cotton Ginned in the United States.—This report shows statistics on the quality of cotton ginned in the United States and in individual cotton-producing States to specified dates.

Issued at Washington four times a year at 12 m: The schedule for the 1938-39 season is: On cotton ginned prior to October 1, October 18; prior to November 1, November 18; prior to December 1, December 19; total crop, April 12.

Annual Reports:

Grade, Staple Length, and Tenderability of Cotton Carried over in the United States, August 1.—Statistics are given on the quality of carryover, both foreign and domestic, in the United States.

Issued at Washington as soon as possible after August 1.

Grade, Staple Length, and Tenderability of Cotton in the United States.—This report shows statistics on the quality of cotton ginned in the United States and in individual States and statistics on the quality of cotton carry-over. Certain statistics on the quality of the crop are also shown for divisions of States, and certain quality statistics on the carry-over are shown for cotton in public warehouses and compresses and in consuming establishments.

Issued at Washington as soon as possible after the end of the ginning season.

Quality of Cotton Linters Produced in the United States.—This report gives estimates on the number of bales of each grade, character, and color of linters produced in the United States, and other related information.

Issued at Washington.

#### COTTONSEED MARKET REPORTS

Weekly Report:

Weekly Cottonseed Review.—This review of the market contains information relative to the grades of cottonseed sold during the week in each county in the territory, prices received and offered for cottonseed and for cottonseed products, together with a market summary. Price information is also released daily to the press and radio.

Issued Saturday at Memphis.

## DAIRY AND POULTRY MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington or from one or more of the branch offices in Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle. All reports are mailed upon request. (For addresses of these branch offices, see page 13.)

### Daily Reports:

Daily Market Report (Butter, Cheese, Eggs, Dressed Poultry).—This report gives market condition, receipts and cold-storage movement of butter, cheese, eggs, and dressed poultry; wholesale prices of butter and cheese in New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, and San Francisco; future prices of butter and eggs at Chicago; daily storage holdings at New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, and San Francisco, Buffalo, Providence, Pittsburgh, Omaha, Kansas City, and St. Louis; weekly storage holdings in a total of 35 markets; weekly production of butter in Pacific Slope States as reported by Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and for other sections as reported by trade groups; weekly receipts of eggs and poultry in Central West and Pacific Coast country packing plants, and the Chicago Feed-Egg ratio. Wholesale egg prices are reported at Boston, Philadelphia, Seattle and San Francisco. The Pacific Coast reports show jobbing prices of butter and eggs; storage movements once a week at Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle, San Diego, Santa Rosa, and Petaluma, and carlot shipments of eggs from Pacific Coast to eastern markets. Philadelphia and Portland reports show wholesale prices of live poultry in local markets.

Issued at:	Boston	New York	San Francisco
	Chicago	Philadelphia	Seattle
	Los Angeles	Portland	

Daily Butter, Cheese, and Egg Report (post card).—Brief report issued at Chicago includes wholesale prices of butter and tone of markets at Chicago, New York and Philadelphia. The San Francisco report includes local wholesale prices of butter, eggs and cheese, and tone of markets.

Issued at: Chicago and San Francisco

Daily Poultry and Game Report.—This report gives net prices paid producers by local dealers and operators of dressing plants for live poultry delivered at San Francisco and Los Angeles; also at San Francisco, prices of dressed poultry to retailers. Prices are shown for various weights of each class of poultry and rabbits.

Issued at Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Boston Nearby Poultry and Egg Market Report.—Wholesale prices of nearby live poultry and nearby white and brown eggs are provided in this report.

Issued Tuesday to Friday, inclusive, at Boston.

Daily Reports (Cont'd):

Daily Egg and Live Poultry Report.—This report gives wholesale prices of eggs and live poultry at Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D.C., also sales and prices on egg auctions in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Ohio. (Issued in cooperation with Pennsylvania Bureau of Markets)

Issued at Philadelphia.

Daily Turkey Market Report.—This report, issued during the turkey marketing season, gives prices paid in producing areas, and wholesale prices in terminal markets, also includes passings of cars of Texas and Oklahoma turkeys at Chicago, Kansas City, and St. Louis.

Issued at all offices from beginning of active marketing in November until close of Holiday trading.

Weekly Reports:

Weekly Butter Market Review.—This report comments on market conditions, receipts, supplies, and cold-storage movement; gives a chart showing prices of butter at Boston, Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia, and gives a price summary of future contracts on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Issued Friday at Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, Oreg., and San Francisco; issued Saturday at Boston.

Weekly Milk and Cream Report.—This report gives receipts of milk, cream, and fresh condensed milk, by States of origin, by railroads and by motor-truck; comments on current sweet cream markets; and gives prevailing prices on sweet cream at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

Issued Monday at Boston, New York and Philadelphia. Each report covers its own metropolitan area.

Monthly Reports:

Monthly Export and Import Report.—Monthly exports of butter, oleo-margarine, cheese, eggs, condensed and evaporated milk, and dry milk are given together with destinations of shipments by countries. Total imports of dairy products, eggs and egg products are included.

Issued at Washington about the 27th of each month.

Monthly Fluid-Milk Market Report.—This report summarizes prevailing wholesale and retail prices of milk paid by the different classes of trade, and prices paid to producers in the larger and more important cities of the United States. These prices also appear in "Crops and Markets." The report comments on trend of milk prices and includes comments and prices on wholesale cream markets at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

Issued at Washington about the 12th of each month.

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

Monthly Evaporated and Condensed Milk Market Report.—This report includes wholesale prices of sweetened condensed and unsweetened evaporated milk as quoted by manufacturers, prices paid producers by condenseries for whole milk in each geographic section of the United States, stocks in the hands of manufacturers on the first of each month, a table showing average daily purchases of milk per producer at condenseries in comparison with the previous month and the same month last year, and information concerning unsold stocks and production trends for each class of product. Once each quarter this report is accompanied by a statement of stocks in the hands of wholesale grocers.

Issued at Washington about the 22nd of each month.

Monthly Dry Milk Market Report.—This report gives sales and wholesale selling prices of the various classes of dry milk, as reported by manufacturers; stocks in manufacturers' hands on the first of each month, and the previous month's reported production, with comparisons. It comments on market conditions. Casein prices and a short comment on the casein market situation are included. A summary appears in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington about the 27th of each month.

Monthly Milk and Cream Market Report.—This is a monthly summary of the statistical information contained in the weekly reports.

Issued at Boston, New York, and Philadelphia.

The Domestic Dairy Market Review and The Foreign Dairy Review.—The portion of the report which relates to domestic markets is a general summing up of the month's developments. It applies to all dairy products. Statistical tables show current production stocks, trade output, and total milk equivalents of butter, cheese, and condensed milk. The foreign section provides information on receipts of butter and cheese at important foreign markets, and trends of dairy products in important dairy-producing areas. A table shows the relation between prices of butter at New York, Copenhagen, Berlin, and London.

Issued at Washington about the 27th of each month.

Monthly Estimate of Creamery Butter and American Cheese Production.—Monthly estimates of butter production in creameries are made on the basis of a carefully selected group and the report shows total estimated butter production for the United States, with the most important States listed separately. Percentage changes from the previous year and the previous month are briefly discussed. Similar estimates, by sections, are made of American cheese production. This report is also published in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington about the 22nd of each month.

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

The Dairy Situation.-This report, issued about the 16th of each month, summarizes monthly the production, prices, stocks, imports, and exports of dairy products, and analyzes the general production and price situation. (See page 46.)

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Live-Poultry Market Report.-Freight, express, and truck receipts are summarized, with monthly and calendar-year comparisons; also origin of receipts by States with comparisons. The New York report shows also the make-up of cars unloaded.

Issued at Chicago and New York.

Monthly Egg and Poultry Market Review.-This report summarizes the past month's developments. Tables show egg and poultry receipts and cold-storage holdings, imports and exports of eggs and poultry and their products. It contains information as to the quantities of egg whites, egg yolks, and mixed whites and yolks packed each month as reported by concerns that operate egg-breaking establishments, and information as to the quantities of poultry canned or used for canning purposes, as reported by concerns that operate poultry-canning plants.

Issued at Washington about the 26th of each month.

The Poultry and Egg Situation.-A report which provides an up-to-date outlook; issued about the first day of each month. (See page 46.)

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Hatchery Report.-Information as to capacity of hatcheries reporting, numbers of eggs set each month, numbers of salable chicks hatched, numbers of chicks on order as of the first of each month, and numbers of baby chicks saved, with comparisons of each of these items with the preceding year, is reported. This report also provides a similar comparison on the numbers of turkey eggs set, numbers of salable poult hatched, and numbers of poult on advance order.

Issued at Washington during the hatchery season about the 8th (preliminary) and 15th (final) of each month.

Monthly Origin of Receipts by States.-Receipts of butter, cheese, eggs, and dressed poultry at each local market, by States of origin, are given for each month. Annual summaries also are available.

Issued at Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, and San Francisco.

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

Monthly Egg Breaking and Canned Poultry Report.—This report includes data on the volume of liquid eggs produced as egg whites, egg yolks, and mixed whites and yolks according to the reports of concerns operating egg-breaking plants. Comparative changes with the corresponding month of the previous year are shown on the basis of identical reports. Information on the volume of poultry canned or used for canning as reported by concerns operating poultry-canning plants is also included.

Issued at Washington about the 28th of each month.

Monthly Cold-Storage Report.—Stocks of butter, various varieties of cheese by varieties, case eggs, frozen eggs, and the various classes of poultry, by classes, on the first of each month are reported.

Issued at Washington, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Portland, and San Francisco about the 12th of the month following the date covered.

Annual Reports:

Annual Production Report on Manufactured Dairy Products.—This statistical report contains information regarding quantities of each manufactured dairy product produced monthly in the United States. The information is obtained once each 6 months directly from manufacturers of dairy products. The summary issued indicates the total annual production of individual products in each State. These statistics are also made available in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington.

Dairy and Poultry Market Statistics.—This report summarizes all dairy and poultry market statistics published during the preceding year in daily, weekly, and monthly reports.

Issued at Washington every February.

### FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET REPORTS.

The following reports are issued from Washington or from one or more of its branch offices as indicated. Upon request, any report will be mailed from the nearest branch office at which such report is issued. (For addresses of branch offices see pages 13 and 14.)

#### Daily Reports:

Daily Market Reports on Fruits and Vegetables.—This report includes a summary of the total number of cars of each commodity shipped from each State during the previous day; f.o.b. prices and conditions prevailing in numerous producing areas; the number of cars of each fruit and vegetable received daily on the local market at which the report is issued, statements as to weather and general market conditions, the quality and condition of receipts, and prevailing market prices of the principal commodities in season. Similar reports from other principal cities are included. These reports cover all important fresh fruits and vegetables.

Issued at:	Atlanta	Detroit	Oklahoma City
	Baltimore (Incl. Fort Worth		Philadelphia
	Washington)	Kansas City	Pittsburgh
	Boston	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.
	Chicago.	Minneapolis	St. Louis
	Cincinnati	New Orleans	San Francisco
	Cleveland	New York	Seattle
	Denver		

In addition to the general reports covering all products in season on the respective markets, a large number of special commodity reports are issued, giving detailed shipment and market information for particular products. They are issued from certain of the above-mentioned offices, and from about 40 temporary field stations which are operated annually in important producing districts. Following is a list of such reports, listed by commodities, giving the location of the offices where issued and the approximate periods of publication in 1937.

#### Daily Market Report on Basis of Commodities

Crops Covered	Location of Station	Approximate Period Covered by Reports
Apples	Benton Harbor, Mich	Aug. 20-Nov. 1
	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Nov. 3-Nov. 16
	Martinsburg, W. Va.	Sept. 14-Dec. 14
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-May 25
Apricots	Seattle, Wash.	Jan. 3-June 6, Sept. 4-Dec. 31
	Portland, Oreg.	Jan. 1-June 10, Oct. 11-Dec. 31
Artichokes	San Francisco, Calif.	May 21-July 9
	San Francisco, Calif. (Semi-weekly)	Jan. 2-Apr. 17, Oct. 12-Dec. 31

<u>Crops Covered</u>	<u>Location of Station</u>	<u>Approximate Period Covered by Reports</u>
Asparagus	Atlanta, Ga. Brawley, Calif.	Apr. 2-May 9 Mar. 24-Apr. 7
Beans, Snap	Belle Glade, Fla. Brownsville, Texas Crystal Springs, Miss. New Orleans, La. Pompano, Fla.	Nov. 19-Dec. 15, Apr. 9-May 14 Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31 May 1-June 4 May 10-June 11, Nov. 3-Nov. 24 Dec. 27-Apr. 6
Beets	Brownsville, Texas Crystal Springs, Miss.	Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31 May 1-June 4
Brusel Sprouts	San Francisco, Calif. (semi-weekly)	Jan. 2-Apr. 4, Oct. 20-Dec. 31
Cabbage	Brownsville, Texas Crystal Springs, Miss.	Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31 May 1-June 4
Cantaloups	Rochester, N. Y. Allendale, S. C. Brawley, Calif. Los Angeles, Calif. Phoenix, Arizona Rocky Ford, Colo.	Sept. 4-Mar. 25 June 29-July 16 Apr. 16-July 13 Aug. 29-Dec. 31 June 18-July 16 Aug. 10-Sept. 14
Carrots	Brawley, Calif. Brownsville, Texas Rochester, N. Y.	Mar. 24-Apr. 24 Jan. 2-May 29, Nov. 16-Dec. 31 Sept. 4-May 20
Cauliflower	Los Angeles, Calif. San Francisco, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31 Dec. 3-Apr. 14
Celery	Benton Harbor, Mich. Bradenton, Fla. Los Angeles, Calif. Portland, Oreg. Rochester, N. Y. Sanford, Fla.	Aug. 30-Nov. 10 Apr. 19-May 19 Aug. 29-Dec. 31 May 19-Oct. 14 Sept. 4-Dec. 27 Jan. 15-May 4
Cherries	San Francisco, Calif.	May 1-June 11
Chicory	Los Angeles, Calif.	Nov. 16-Dec. 31
Citrus Fruit	Brownsville, Texas Lakeland, Fla.	Jan. 2-Apr. 8 Sept. 30-June 6*
Corn, Sweet	New Orleans, La.	June 15-July 2
Cucumbers	Barnwell, S. C. Bradenton, Fla. Mobile, Ala.	June 7-June 25 Apr. 19-May 19 May 18-June 16
Fruit Auctions	Cincinnati, Ohio (thrice-week)	Jan. 3-Dec. 31
Grapes	Benton Harbor, Mich Fresno, Calif. Rochester, N. Y. San Francisco, Calif.	Sept. 13-Oct. 1 July 18-Nov. 7 Oct. 2-Oct. 31 Aug. 13-Dec. 14
Lettuce	Brawley, Calif. Los Angeles, Calif. Phoenix, Ariz. Seattle, Wash.	Jan. 2-March 23 Jan. 2-Dec. 31 Jan. 2-Apr. 6, Dec. 6-Dec. 31 May 1-Aug. 10, Oct. 22-Dec. 7

\*Expected date of closing in 1938.

<u>Crops Covered</u>	<u>Location of Station</u>	<u>Approximate Period Covered by Reports</u>
Onions	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sept. 13-Nov. 1
	Brownsville, Texas	Apr. 5-May 16
	Crystal City, Texas	Apr. 18-May 11
	Denver, Colo.	Mar. 22-Oct. 9
	Fort Worth, Texas	June 1-June 29
	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Nov. 3-Mar. 31*
	Kenedy, Texas	May 17-May 29
	Laredo, Texas	Apr. 16-May 2
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-Apr. 10*
Peaches	Anna, Ill.	Aug. 7-Aug. 20
	Centralia, Ill.	Aug. 21-Aug. 28
	Denver, Colo.	Aug. 26-Sept. 15
	Hamlet, N. C.	July 17-Aug. 10
	Macon, Ga.	June 12-Aug. 8
	Nashville, Ark.	July 9-Aug. 5
	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Aug. 20-Oct. 7
Pears	Portland, Oreg.	Jan. 1-Mar. 26, Aug. 2-Dec. 31
	Rochester, N. Y.	Sept. 4-Oct. 24
	San Francisco, Calif.	June 13-Dec. 14
	Seattle, Wash.	Jan. 1-Mar. 10, July 22-Dec. 31
	Crystal Springs, Miss.	May 1-June 4
Peas, Green	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 4-May 13, Aug. 25-Dec. 31
	Pompano, Fla.	Dec. 28-Feb. 24,
	Portland, Oreg.	June 3-Oct. 13
	San Francisco, Calif.	Mar. 14-April 14
	Seattle, Wash.	May 21-Aug 24
	Belle Glade, Fla.	Apr. 9-May 14
	New Orleans, La.	June 7-July 21
Peppers	Pompano, Fla.	Jan. 3-Apr. 6
	Freewater, Oreg.	Aug. 1-Aug. 22
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Aug. 15-Aug. 22
	Nampa, Idaho	Aug. 31-Sept. 18
Plums and Prunes	San Francisco, Calif.	May 21-Sept. 7
	Benton Harbor, Mich.	Sept. 13-Nov. 1
	Brownsville, Texas	Mar. 28-May 14
	Charleston, S. C.	May 20-June 4
	Denver, Colo.	Jan. 2-Apr. 23, Aug. 4-Dec. 31
	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Nov. 3-Apr. 10*
	Hastings, Fla.	Mar. 20-May 12
	Idaho Falls, Idaho	Sept. 13-Apr. 15*
	Kansas City, Mo.	June 14-July 27
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
Potatoes	Mobile, Ala.	May 10-June 16
	New Orleans, La.	Apr. 24-May 29
	New York, N. Y.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Philadelphia, Pa.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31

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<u>Crops Covered</u>	<u>Location of Station</u>	<u>Approximate Period Covered by Reports</u>
Potatoes(Cont'd)	Pocomoke City, Md.	June 11-July 27
	Pompano, Fla.	Jan. 2-Mar. 31
	Presque Isle, Maine	Sept. 14-Apr. 15*
	Rochester, N. Y.	Oct. 9-May 25*
	Seattle, Wash.	Jan. 2-Dec. 31
	Washington, N. C.	June 4-June 30
	Waupaca, Wis.	Sept. 13-Mar. 31*
Rhubarb	San Francisco, Calif.	Mar. 12-Apr. 4
Shallots	New Orleans, La.	Jan. 2-May 7, Nov. 26-Dec. 31
Spinach	Brownsville, Texas	Jan. 2-Apr. 16
Strawberries	San Antonio, Texas	Nov. 15-Mar. 30*
	Chadbourn, N. C.	May 3-May 22
	Hammond, La.	Mar. 28-May 12
	Plant City, Fla.	Jan. 2-Apr. 11
	Pocomoke City, Md.	May 22-June 9
Sweetpotatoes	Atlanta, Ga.	Jan. 2-Mar. 9, Nov. 1-Dec. 31
	Fort Worth, Texas	Jan. 2-Apr. 17
	New Orleans, La.	Jan. 2-May 7, Sept. 22-Dec. 31
	Philadelphia, Pa.	Aug. 29-Mar. 13*
	St. Louis, Mo.	Jan. 3-Apr. 13
Tomatoes	Belle Glade, Fla.	Apr. 9-May 14
	Bradenton, Fla.	Apr. 9-May 14
	Brownsville, Texas	Nov. 17-Dec. 8, Apr. 30-June 2
	Crystal Springs, Miss.	June 1-June 22
	Jacksonville, Texas	May 31-June 30
	Los Angeles, Calif.	Jan. 4-Dec. 31
	Pompano, Fla.	Jan. 3-Apr. 6
Watermelons	Allendale, S. C.	June 29-July 29
	Brawley, Calif.	May 2-July 2
	Fort Worth, Texas	July 5-Aug. 3
	Gainesville, Fla.	June 14-June 26
	Hamlet, N. C.	July 17-Aug. 10
	Leesburg, Fla.	May 28-June 22
	Los Angeles, Calif.	May 14-July 12
	Macon, Ga.	July 9-Aug. 3
	Moultrie, Ga.	June 25-July 6

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Weekly Reports:

Weekly Summary of Carlot Shipments.—The total number of cars of each product shipped from all States, by weeks and shipping season, as reported daily by telegraph to the Bureau by transportation companies, is given in this summary.

Issued at Washington.

Fruit Flashes.—These are issued weekly during the exporting season, from cabled reports by the Bureau's fruit specialist in Europe. It gives information on supplies, demand, and prices in the leading European markets for American fruits, and observations on production in competitive countries. (See Foreign Agricultural Crop and Market Reports page 50.)

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Reports:

Summary of Cold-Storage Holdings of Fruits and Vegetables in the United States.—This report shows the holdings of apples, pears, frozen and preserved fruits and frozen vegetables in storage on the first of each month; report on apples is from October to June. The report on the other commodities is published monthly throughout the year.

Issued about the 12th of each month at:

Atlanta	Detroit	Pittsburgh
Baltimore	Fort Worth	Portland, Oreg.
Boston	Kansas City	St. Louis
Chicago	Los Angeles	San Francisco
Cincinnati	New York	Seattle
Cleveland	Philadelphia	Washington
Denver		

Monthly Summary of Unloads.—Unload information obtained at 29 cities is summarized; covers practically all fresh fruits and vegetables.

Issued at Washington for Washington, Indianapolis, Milwaukee, Newark, Oklahoma City, Omaha, and Salt Lake City. Branch offices at the following cities issue their own reports:

Atlanta	Detroit	Philadelphia
Baltimore	Fort Worth (Inc. Dallas)	Pittsburgh
Boston	Kansas City	Portland, Oreg.
Chicago	Los Angeles	St. Louis
Cincinnati	Minneapolis (Inc. St. Paul)	San Francisco
Cleveland	New Orleans	Seattle
Denver	New York	

The Fruit Situation.—Summarizes available information on demand, production, marketings and prices. Issued about 22nd of each month. (See page 46.)

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

The Vegetable Situation. -Covers developments with respect to production, marketings and prices. Available about the 27th of each month. (See page 47.)

Issued at Washington.

Yearly Reports:

Carlot Unloads of Fruits and Vegetables. -These are annual summaries of the carlot unloads in each of the following cities and cover practically all fresh fruits and vegetables.

Issued at Washington for Newark and Salt Lake City. Branch offices at the following cities issue their own reports:

Atlanta	Fort Worth (Inc. Dallas)	Philadelphia
Boston	Kansas City	Pittsburgh
Chicago	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.
Cincinnati	Minneapolis (Inc. St. Paul)	St. Louis
Cleveland	New Orleans	San Francisco
Denver	New York	Seattle
Detroit		

Annual Summary of Unloads. -This summary is issued separately for each of the following cities, showing unloads of 20 products in each market by commodities and by States of origin.

Akron	Hartford	Portland, Me.
Albany	Houston	Portland, Oreg.
Atlanta	Indianapolis	Providence
Baltimore	Jacksonville	Richmond
Birmingham	Kansas City	Rochester
Boston	Lexington	St. Louis
Bridgeport	Los Angeles	St. Paul
Buffalo	Louisville	Salt Lake City
Chicago	Memphis	San Antonio
Cincinnati	Milwaukee	San Francisco
Cleveland	Minneapolis	Seattle
Columbus	Nashville	Shreveport
Dallas	Newark	Sioux City
Dayton	New Haven	Spokane
Denver	New Orleans	Springfield, Mass.
Des Moines	New York	Syracuse
Detroit	Norfolk	Tampa
Duluth	Oklahoma City	Terre Haute
El Paso	Omaha	Toledo
Evansville	Peoria	Washington
Fort Worth	Philadelphia	Worcester
Grand Rapids	Pittsburgh	Youngstown

Yearly Reports (Cont'd):

Annual Summary of Unloads.—This summary is issued separately for each of the following commodities, showing receipts in each of 66 cities by States of origin.

Apples	Lemons	Potatoes
Cabbage	Lettuce	Strawberries
Cantaloups	Onions	Sweetpotatoes
Carrots	Oranges	Tangerines
Celery	Peaches	Tomatoes
Grapefruit	Pears	Watermelons
Grapes	Plums and Prunes (fresh)	

Issued at Washington.

Annual Shipment Tabulations by Commodities.—These yearly tabulations cover several of the more-important commodities, and for each product show the monthly carlot shipments grouped by States, counties, and billing stations.

Issued at Washington.

Annual Tabulations of Carlot Shipments.—Separate sheets for each of 47 fruits and vegetables, show the total shipments by States of origin and by months. They are available for the following products:

Apples	Cucumbers	Pears
Apples, Dried	Eggplant	Peas, green
Apricots	Fruit, mixed deciduous	Peppers
Asparagus	Fruit, mixed citrus	Persian melons
Beans, snap & Lima	Grapefruit	Plums and Prunes
Beets	Grapes	(fresh)
Blackberries, Dewberries & Loganberries	Greens, except Spinach	Prunes, dried
Cabbage	Honeyball melons	Potatoes
Cantaloups	Honeydew melons	Spinach
Carrots	Lemons	Strawberries
Casaba melons	Lettuce and Romaine	Sweetpotatoes
Cauliflower	Melons, mixed	Tangerines
Celery	Onions	Tomatoes
Cherries	Oranges and Satsumas	Turnips, Rutabagas
Corn, green	Peaches	Vegetables, mixed
Cranberries	Peaches, dried	Watermelons

Seasonal Reports:

Annual Summaries of Field Deals.—These annual mimeographed pamphlets cover the marketing season of a particular fruit and vegetable or a group of products on which daily market reports have been issued in producing districts. They summarize the season and include valuable tabulations of the movement, prices, and distribution of each product, as well as a general review of the shipping season for that product in the particular district covered.

Issued only in the field and at some of the market stations.

PEANUT MARKET REPORT

Weekly Report:

Weekly Peanut Report.—This report gives a résumé of arrivals of peanuts on 16 important markets, range of market prices for different varieties and grades, prices and conditions prevailing in the three principal producing sections, and shipments of peanuts and crude peanut oil by cleaners, shellers, and crushers as reported by station agents at points of shipment, and of motor-truck shipments of peanuts as reported directly by shellers and cleaners. Once a month export statistics for peanuts and peanut oil, obtained from the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, are included, and these statistics are summarized twice a year. Occasional reports from Consular agents and other authorities are published. Acreage, yield per acre and production statistics are released when available.

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Report:

Peanut Stocks Report.—A new monthly report (See page 5.)

HONEY MARKET REPORT

Semi-monthly Report:

Semi-monthly Honey Market Report.—Supplies of honey on the market at 15 important cities, and the range of market prices for different flavors and grades of comb and extracted honey are reported. Beeswax prices are included by 6 of these markets. Information concerning prices and general conditions relating to bees, honey plants, and market conditions is included from the principal honey-producing sections. This report is supplemented from time to time by articles from consuls, trade commissioners, etc., on conditions in foreign countries; and by import and export statistics, published monthly, and summarized twice a year.

Issued at Washington.

### GRAIN MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from Washington and/or from one or more of its branch offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Portland, Oregon, and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

#### Weekly Reports:

Weekly Grain Market Review.—This report is prepared in Washington each Saturday and wired to branch offices. It reviews the week's developments in the markets for the principal grains, including the latest reports on the progress of the various crops in the United States and in important foreign grain-producing countries. It reports market movements, exports, supply, demand and other market influences as they affect the domestic situation and gives prices of the principal grades and classes of grain in important United States markets, and prices of wheat from competing countries in several European markets.

Issued at: Washington	Kansas City	Portland, Oreg.
Chicago	Minneapolis	San Francisco

Weekly Grain and Feed Market Review.—This report is prepared each Monday at Atlanta. It reviews the market situation on grain, hay, and feed in the southeastern States. It deals principally with feeds used in that area and provides information as to market prices and demand for locally grown grains and hays.

Issued at Atlanta.

Weekly Rice Market Review.—This review is prepared Tuesday at Washington and covers the current supply, demand, and price situation in the principal domestic and foreign rice markets.

Issued at Washington and San Francisco.

Weekly Barley Market Review.—This review is prepared in Washington particularly for distribution on the Pacific Coast. It covers the week's developments in the Pacific Coast barley markets, including market movement, demand, and prices; reports changes or developments in the general domestic market situation, and reviews somewhat in detail the price changes in the London market for California barley and for barley from competing countries.

Issued at Portland, Oregon, and San Francisco.

Weekly Commercial Grain Stocks Report.—This reports stocks at 40 points in the United States, stocks of United States grain in Canada, and Canadian grain in United States, and Canadian grain in Canada.

Issued at: Washington	Kansas City	Portland, Oreg.
Chicago	Minneapolis	San Francisco

Monthly Reports:

Monthly Report of Rice Stocks and Movement.—This report, issued about the 10th of each month, gives statistics on stocks and movement of rough and milled rice for mills in the southern rice-producing States. A similar report is issued for California.

Issued at Washington.

The Wheat Situation.—Provides current information on changes in factors which affect the outlook for the production and price of wheat. Available about the 23rd of each month. (See page 46.)

Issued at Washington.

Quarterly Reports:

Quarterly Flax Market Review.—This quarterly summary deals with the general flax situation, including supplies, crushings, stocks, foreign competition, oil supplies and demand, and other market influences.

Issued at Washington about the 20th of February, May, August, and November.

Quarterly Feed Grain Market Review.—This report deals with the market situation on corn, oats, barley and grain sorghums and is of special interest to growers who produce these grains for market. Gives information on seasonal supplies and utilization.

Issued at Washington about October 15, January 15, April 15 and July 15.

Semi-Annual Reports:

Semi-Annual Barley Market Review.—This report comprises a discussion of supplies and distribution of California barley by 6-month periods, July-December and January-June. It also reviews the market situation in other sections of the United States and in foreign countries as it relates to the demand or market outlet for California barley.

Issued at Washington about July 1 and February 1.

Special Durum Wheat Market Review.—This Review is based in part upon data supplied semi-annually by durum wheat mills relative to mill grindings of durum wheat and production of durum products. The market situation is reviewed for durum wheat both in the United States and in other important durum producing countries. Included is latest available information on production and distribution, and on tariffs, trade regulations, and freight rates. Prepared in Washington about July 25 and January 25.

Issued at Minneapolis.

Seasonal Reports:

The Feed Grain Situation.—Contain outlook information on corn, oats, barley, soybeans and grain sorghums, and also on hay and pastures. Available about the 25th of March, August, and December. (See page 46.)

Issued at Washington.

Quality of the Grain Crops.—These reports are issued semi-monthly each year during the first quarter of the marketing season for the new crops of wheat, barley, oats, rye, grain sorghums, and corn. They indicate the quality of the crops according to the percentage quantities of inspected receipts at representative markets, by class, subclass, and grade.

Issued at Washington.

HAY MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued from branch offices in Kansas City, Los Angeles, and Portland, Oreg. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

Daily and Tri-weekly Reports:

Daily Alfalfa Market Report.—This report issued at Los Angeles covers the local market on alfalfa and includes information on receipts, prices and market demand.

Issued at Los Angeles.

Tri-weekly Hay Market Report.—This report issued tri-weekly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at Kansas City covers the local market situation on alfalfa and prairie hay including information on receipts, quality, prices and source and character of demand.

Issued at Kansas City.

Weekly Report:

Weekly Alfalfa Hay Market Review.—This review, prepared on Tuesdays, covers the general situation in alfalfa markets and producing areas.

Issued at: Kansas City

Los Angeles

Portland, Oreg.

### FEED MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued in Washington and from one or more of its branch offices in Chicago, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Portland, and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

#### Weekly Report:

Weekly Feed Market Review.—This review is prepared at Washington and contains a review of the market developments as to the supply and demand for feed at the principal markets, together with prices of the more important basic feeds at the principal producing or distributing markets.

Issued at:	Washington	Los Angeles	Portland, Oreg.
	Chicago	Minneapolis	San Francisco
	Kansas City		

#### Monthly Reports:

Alfalfa Meal Production Report.—This report gives production of alfalfa meal as reported by meal manufacturers. Published also in Crops and Markets.

Issued at Washington, on the 15th of each month.

Distillers-Grain Production Report.—This report gives production and stocks of distillers dried grains as reported by manufacturers.

Issued at Washington, about the middle of each month.

Brewers-Grain Production Report.—This report gives production of brewers dried grains as reported by manufacturers.

Issued at Washington about the middle of each month.

#### Seasonal Reports:

The Feed Grain Situation.—This seasonal report is issued in March, August, and December. (See page 46.)

Issued at Washington.

Special Feed Market Review.—This review features production, supplies, and utilization of feeds and feed grains; shifts in demand; relationships between prices of feedstuffs and livestock and dairy products; and trends of feed prices. Prepared about the 20th of each month from September to June.

Issued at Washington.

## SEED MARKET REPORTS

The following seed market reports are issued from Washington.

### Monthly Report:

Retail Seed Price Report.—This report, issued about the 5th of each month from March to June inclusive, points out notable changes in prices from those of the preceding month (or from those of the preceding year in the case of the March 5 report), and contains a table showing retail prices of 24 kinds of field seeds in 29 States and two groups of States.

Issued at Washington.

### Seasonal Reports:

Seed Movement and Price Reports.—These reports are issued for each important kind of field seed at intervals of about 4 weeks until practically all the commercial crop has been sold by growers. Information is given relative to the percentage of the current season's crop of a given kind of seed that has been sold by growers, and the prices offered to growers in important producing districts. The same type of information is given for this seed on corresponding dates in previous years.

Issued at Washington.

### Annual Reports:

Seed Situation Reports.—These reports are issued for each of the important kinds of field seeds at about the time the respective crops are harvested (June to November). Dates of issuance vary somewhat according to whether the growing season is advanced or is backward. The reports describe the current year's crop of each important kind of field seed in terms of last year's crop with respect to acreage and yield per acre, and give prices paid to growers in principal producing districts, together with other factors bearing on the supply of and demand for this seed.

Issued at Washington.

Seed Shipment Reports.—These reports are issued after the bulk of each of the crops has been sold by growers. They cover shipments of the current season's crop up to January 1 or January 15, shipments expected to be made after these dates, total shipments made the preceding year by those reporting, stocks held by them on January 1 or January 15, and average prices paid to growers for the current and preceding year's crops.

Issued at Washington.

Annual Reports (Cont'd):

Prospective Seed Sales Report.—This report is issued between February 15 and 28, before many of the small seed dealers have bought much seed. It indicates how the current year's prospective sales compare with those of the preceding year in 29 States and two groups of States for the following kinds of seeds: red clover, alsike clover, sweetclover, lespedeza, alfalfa, timothy, redtop, Kentucky bluegrass, ryegrass, orchard grass, lawngrass mixtures, millet, sorgo, Sudan grass, cowpeas, soybeans, and seed corn.

Issued at Washington.

Retail Seed Sales Summary.—This summary, issued in the second or third week of July, compares sales made during the current year with those of the preceding year for the same kinds of seeds and the same States as in the Prospective Seed Sales Report.

Issued at Washington.

BEAN MARKET REPORT

The following review is issued from branch offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 14.)

Weekly Report:

Weekly Bean Market Review.—This review deals with the market situation for beans in California and to a limited extent in other western bean-growing areas and includes prices on the principal varieties of California beans at San Francisco and Los Angeles and prices to growers.

Issued at Los Angeles and San Francisco.

HOP MARKET REPORT

The following reviews are released from branch offices at Portland and San Francisco. (For branch office addresses see page 15.)

Seasonal Reports:

Hop Market Reviews.—These reviews are issued weekly on Thursday from Sept. 1 to Dec. 1 and monthly from January to August, inclusive. They discuss the hop market situation on the Pacific Coast and give prices in these and other domestic and foreign markets. Foreign crop and market data are included.

Issued at Portland and San Francisco.

## LIVESTOCK, MEATS, AND WOOL MARKET REPORTS

The following reports are issued regularly from Washington or from one or more of the branch offices in Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Des Moines, Fort Worth, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, Nashville, National Stock Yards, Ill., (E.St.Louis), New York, North Portland, Oreg., Ogden, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Sioux City, So. St. Joseph, So. St. Paul, and Wichita. (See page 15 for branch office addresses.)

### Daily Reports:

Daily Livestock Market Report.—Supply and demand, prices, and trend of market for cattle, calves, hogs, sheep and lambs, at Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Fort Worth, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, Nashville, National Stock Yards, Ill., New York (including Jersey City), North Portland, Ogden (including Salt Lake City), Oklahoma City, Omaha, San Francisco, Sioux City, So. St. Joseph, So. St. Paul, and Wichita are noted.

Issued each market day except Saturday at:

Boston	Los Angeles	Ogden
Chicago	Louisville	Oklahoma City
Cincinnati	Nashville	Omaha
Denver (also Sat.)	National Stock Yards, Ill.	Philadelphia
Fort Worth	New York	San Francisco
Indianapolis	North Portland, Oreg.	South St. Paul
Kansas City		Wichita

Reports are also issued Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at Buffalo, and Monday and Thursday at Baltimore.

Daily Hog Market Report.—This report covers supply, demand, trend of the market, and prices paid for hogs sold direct to packers at 20 concentration yards and 10 packing plants in interior Iowa and southern Minnesota, and gives brief summaries of several public hog markets for the day.

Issued daily at Des Moines, Iowa.

Daily Report Meat Trade Conditions and Wholesale Prices—Western Dressed Meats.—This report gives supply and demand, prices, and trend of the wholesale market for western dressed fresh beef, veal, lamb, mutton, and pork in Boston, Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia.

Issued each market day except Saturday at:

Boston	National Stock Yards, Ill.	Omaha
Chicago	New York	Philadelphia
Kansas City		

Daily Report of Meat Trade Conditions and Wholesale Prices—Locally Dressed Meats.—Market comments, with wholesale prices, on locally dressed fresh meats are given.

Issued each market day except Saturday at New York City.

Daily Reports (Cont'd):

Daily Special Grass Cattle Market Report.—This report gives a brief statement of market conditions on grass cattle at Chicago, Kansas City, National Stock Yards, Ill., Omaha, Sioux City, South St. Paul, and South St. Joseph markets, with prices paid for cattle marketed from the range and large pasture areas.

Issued daily except Saturday from July 1 to November 15 at:

Denver	North Portland	San Francisco
Fort Worth	Ogden	Wichita;

Semi-Weekly Report:

Semi-Weekly Review of Meat Trade Conditions.—Covers local wholesale trading in fresh and smoked meats at San Francisco and the San Francisco Bay district. Released on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Issued at San Francisco.

Weekly Reports:

Weekly Review of Livestock Markets.—This report reviews market conditions for the week at the market where released, including detailed information as to receipts, demand, and prices paid for the various classes and grades of livestock.

Issued at:

Buffalo	Los Angeles	Ogden (Inc. N. Salt Lake
Chicago	Louisville	Omaha City)
Cincinnati	Nashville	San Antonio
Denver	National Stock Yards, Ill.	San Francisco
Fort Worth	New York (Inc. Jersey City)	South St. Paul
Indianapolis	North Portland	Wichita
Kansas City		

Each Friday, telegraphic reviews covering the livestock markets at Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, and National Stockyards, Ill., are released by the Boston, New York, and Philadelphia offices.

Each Wednesday, the Boston office issues a report of the Brighton Livestock market covering the Tuesday and Wednesday sessions.

Special Western Sheep and Lamb Contract Report.—This report, issued weekly during the greater part of the year, covers contract and direct sales and movements of sheep and lambs, and gives information relative to feed conditions in producing areas of California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Southwestern Montana, Utah, and Wyoming.

Issued at:

Chicago	Kansas City	Omaha
Denver	North Portland	San Francisco
Fort Worth	Ogden	South St. Paul

Weekly Reports (Cont'd):

Weekly Livestock Market Statistics.—This report shows comparative receipts of cattle at seven markets; beef steers sold out of first hands at Chicago for slaughter; movement of feeder and stocker cattle from 12 markets into 7 States; movements of feeder and stocker cattle from four markets, periodically and seasonally with average weights, and costs; comparative receipts of hogs at seven markets; weekly average weight and cost of hogs at five markets; comparative receipts of sheep at seven markets; movement of feeder and stocker sheep from 12 markets into 7 States; and number of hogs slaughtered under Federal inspection at eight centers weekly with cumulative weekly figures and comparisons, animals slaughtered under Federal inspection (monthly), totals and comparisons.

Issued at Chicago.

Weekly Stocker and Feeder Report.—This report provides a summary of local market conditions for the week on stocker and feeder cattle, hogs, and sheep, together with statistical tabulations covering State destinations of shipments and numbers and average prices of various classes by specific weight divisions.

Issued at Kansas City and South St. Paul.

Weekly Review of Wholesale Meat Trade Conditions.—At the three eastern cities, Boston, New York and Philadelphia, this review covers local wholesale trading in western dressed fresh meats.

Issued at:

Boston	New York	Philadelphia
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At five other markets this review covers the week's wholesale trade in fresh meats at Chicago and New York, with a table of comparative prices.

Issued at:

Chicago	National Stock Yards, Ill.	South St. Paul
Kansas City	Omaha	

Weekly Review of Wholesale Meat Trade Conditions - Locally Dressed Meats.—This review covers the week's market on locally dressed meats.

Issued at New York.

Weekly Review of Boston Wool Market.—This report reviews wool market conditions and price quotations on the principal grades and classes of domestic and foreign wool and mohair on the Boston market and reports wool market conditions in general.

Issued at:

Boston	Fort Worth	San Francisco
Chicago	Ogden	

Weekly Reports (Cont'd):

Weekly Review of Wool Statistics.—This statistical report carries information in comment and tabular form on receipts and shipments of wool and mohair at Boston and imports at the three principal eastern ports.

Issued at Boston.

Weekly Special Livestock Report.—This report reviews the local livestock market and is prepared especially for distribution to country papers and to banks and other financial institutions.

Issued at:

Nat'l Stock Yards, Ill.	South St. Joseph	South St. Paul
Sioux City		Wichita

Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool.—This report, released each Wednesday, carries the more important economic statistics, pertaining to the livestock, meat, and wool industries as they become available, with brief interpretive articles and special discussions dealing with economic conditions and developments in these industries. Current weekly, monthly, and yearly livestock price and supply data are carried, including market prices of livestock at representative markets; wholesale meat prices at New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia; retail meat prices at New York and Chicago; wool prices at Boston; receipts and disposition of livestock at public stockyards; slaughter of animals under Federal inspection; exports and imports of meats and wool; storage holdings of meats and lard; production and consumption of meats and lard; classification and source of purchase of livestock slaughtered; and monthly average costs, live weights, and dressing yields of livestock slaughtered.

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Reports:

Animals Slaughtered Under Federal Meat Inspection.—These monthly reports prepared from compilations supplied by the Bureau of Animal Industry, show the number of cattle, calves, swine, sheep and lambs, goats, and horses slaughtered under Federal Meat Inspection during the preceding month, with totals and comparisons. The complete table also is carried in "Crops and Markets" and in "Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats, and Wool."

Issued at:

Boston	Los Angeles	Oklahoma City
Chicago	Louisville	Omaha
Cincinnati	Nashville	Philadelphia
Denver	Nat'l Stockyards, Ill.	San Francisco
Des Moines	New York	South St. Joseph
Fort Worth	North Portland, Oreg.	South St. Paul
Indianapolis	Ogden	Wichita
Kansas City		

Monthly Reports (Cont'd):

Cold Storage Holdings of Frozen and Cured Meats.-This summary, issued monthly, shows the stocks of frozen and cured beef and pork (including lard), frozen lamb and mutton, and miscellaneous meats, in storage on the 1st of each month in the United States. Also included in the report, "Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool."

Issued at:	Boston	Kansas City	Ogden
	Chicago	Los Angeles	Omaha
	Cincinnati	Louisville	Philadelphia
	Denver	Nashville	San Francisco
	Des Moines	Nat'l Stock Yards, Ill.	South St. Joseph
	Fort Worth	New York	South St. Paul
	Indianapolis	North Portland, Oreg.	Washington

Receipts and Disposition of Livestock at Public Markets.-This monthly report shows the receipts and disposition of livestock at 68 markets, with comparisons. The tabulations also are carried in "Crops and Markets."

Issued at Washington.

Monthly Report Slaughter of Livestock.-Report shows average monthly costs, yields, and weight of animals slaughtered, sources of supply, and classification. It is based on returns from approximately 500 packers and slaughterers whose slaughtering equaled nearly 75 percent of total slaughter under Federal Meat Inspection. Complete table also appears in "Market Reviews and Statistical Summaries of Livestock, Meats and Wool."

Issued at Washington.

Meat Graded by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.-These reports, issued monthly and annually, show the quantity of meats, by classes, and by markets graded by the Bureau.

Issued at Washington.

Livestock Situation Reports.-These three reports provide current information on factors affecting the outlook for production and prices of hogs and hog products, cattle and calves, and sheep and lambs. They are available after the middle of each month, as follows: Hogs, about the 18th; cattle, 19th; sheep and lambs, 20th. (See Situation Reports, page 46.)

The Wool Situation.-Summarizes and analyzes current information on wool, both domestic and foreign. Available about 9th of each month. (See page 46.)

Annual Reports (Issued at Washington):

Report on Weight and Cost of Livestock Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection and of the Resultant Dressed Meat.-This annual report, usually available in February, shows on a monthly basis the numbers and estimated total weight and cost of live animals by classes slaughtered under Federal inspection and of the resultant meats passed for food.

Annual Reports (Issued at Washington): Cont'd.

Estimated Production and Consumption of Federally Inspected Meats.—This annual report, usually available in February, shows on a monthly basis the number of livestock, by species, passed for food under Federal inspection, their average dressed weight, the total meat production by classes, imports and exports in pounds, storage holdings, total apparent consumption, and the per-capita consumption of Federally inspected meats.

Drive-in Receipts of Livestock.—This report, usually available in February, shows the total receipts and driven-in receipts of livestock by months at 68 markets, the percentage of drive-ins to the totals, and the monthly drive-ins by markets and species. Similar data are shown relative to 17 markets combined and separately for a period of years.

Livestock, Meats, and Wool Market Statistics and Related Data.—An annual statistical handbook, usually available in May. Contains statistics relating to the livestock, meat, and wool industries, including numbers, receipts, farm and market prices of livestock, prices of meats, Federal slaughter, cold-storage holdings, imports and exports, live and dressed weights, and retail prices of meats.

TOBACCO MARKET REPORTS

Daily and Weekly Reports:

Tobacco Price Reports (By Types).—Market news reports are issued weekly for several types of tobacco from a convenient central point; they set forth the average prices on all grades appearing in sufficient volume to establish an average. Each report covers all markets in the respective type district on which official tobacco grading service is in effect, and is distributed to the press, farmers, tobacco buyers, and agricultural workers, and to State marketing agencies for use in radio broadcast or for other means of distribution. The points from which these reports are issued are:

Raleigh, N. C. — Reporting flue-cured tobacco markets of Types 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia; and fire-cured tobacco markets of Type 21 in Virginia.

Louisville, Ky. — Reporting fire-cured tobacco markets of Types 22, 23, and 24; Burley markets, Type 31; dark air-cured markets, Type 36; all in Kentucky and Tennessee.

In addition to the regular weekly reports, daily reports are issued for a limited period after the markets open in each type area from a portable field unit, operating on an important market.

Quarterly Report:

Stocks of Leaf Tobacco in the Hands of Dealers and Manufacturers.--These reports give the number of pounds of leaf tobacco on hand at the beginning of each quarter, segregated by types, by unstemmed and stemmed, and by broad divisions of quality. Two additional designations are provided for "scrap" and "nondescript." Stocks on the island of Puerto Rico are included.

Issued at Washington.

Seasonal Reports:

General Tobacco Market News.--Reviews covering market conditions and prices are issued from Washington at the close of the marketing season for each type.

The Tobacco Situation.--Issued about 26th of January, March, July and September. (See page 47 for the nature of this report.)

Annual Report:

Annual Report on Tobacco Statistics.--Statistics on tobacco production, prices, stocks, consumption, international trade, exports, imports, taxes, and revenue are included in this printed report.

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COLD STORAGE REPORTS  
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Monthly Reports:

Summary of Cold Storage Holdings.--This report contains the monthly storage stocks of about 30 commodities in the following groups: Dairy and poultry products (including eggs), frozen and cured meats (including lard), and fruits and vegetables. Report was expanded during the past year to include statistics of quick-freeze vegetables, and cold-packed, preserved, and quick-freeze fruits. Further segregations of the quick-freeze fruit and vegetable items are expected to be made beginning July 12. Cold storage holdings, by States, are now available for apples, pears, butter, American cheese, eggs, and poultry. Each report shows holdings as of the first of each month. Release dates for 1938 are as follows: January 12, February 11, March 11, April 12, May 12, June 13, July 12, August 12, September 12, October 12, November 11, and December 12. (See under commodity headings.)

Cold Storage Holdings of Fish.--The U. S. Department of Commerce issues reports based on information supplied by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. These reports show holdings as of the 15th of each month of 46 edible varieties of fish and are released on the last day of each month.

Oleomargarine Production.--This report issued on the last day of each month gives the production of oleomargarine, colored and uncolored for the preceding month, with comparisons. Brief comments include a ratio between the oleomargarine manufactured from animal and vegetable oils, and vegetable and nut oils.

RADIO SERVICES

National Network Programs.—"Farm Business Facts" is the title of the one-day-a-week broadcast by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics during the Department of Agriculture period of the National Farm and Home Hour. This broadcast, usually presented on Thursday, is confined largely to situation and outlook information and to other economic reports issued during the week preceding the broadcast. Special broadcasts of reports and reviews are also included in these programs. The National Farm and Home Hour is carried daily by approximately 90 radio stations.

The Bureau also provides, as a part of the Farm and Home Hour, a two-minute daily broadcast of news from the principal farm markets. It covers the market highlights for a number of the major farm products, including cotton, butter, eggs, potatoes, hogs, cattle, lambs, wheat, corn, and oats, and is therefore intended to serve only as a guide to market trends.

Regional Networks.—General economic information and daily market reports are provided to the Pacific Coast and Rocky Mountain States through the Western Farm and Home Hour from San Francisco. About 13 stations in four States carry this program. Similar information is sent to New England listeners through programs originating in Boston; the programs are carried direct by 9 radio stations and circularized through 12 additional stations in this area.

Spot and Local Broadcasting.—Market reports, broadcast as independent programs to serve local areas in the United States, consist principally of information supplied by the Bureau. These reports are in most instances provided by the Bureau's branch offices. Some of the market reports are broadcast direct from the wholesale markets by remote control; others are sent to the radio stations by messenger, telephone, telegraph, and mail. A directory of market news broadcasts may be had by applying to the Bureau. Anyone wishing copies of mimeographed market news reports, however, should apply to the nearest branch office of the Bureau (See page 13).

Additional economic information is provided by the Radio Service of the Department to listeners of nearly 325 local stations throughout the country. This service is known as "Farm Flashes." The Flashes are in most instances cleared through the State extension services, where they are often further localized, or they are sent direct to cooperating stations.

Press associations, through their wire systems, are providing radio stations with an increasing amount of market news and other agricultural economic information originating in the Bureau.

SITUATION AND OUTLOOK REPORTS

SITUATION REPORTS

General--All Comodities

Two "situation" reports provide information to those who wish to follow the general agricultural situation and the outlook for the important farm products. Together with the more complete situation reports on individual commodities, they furnish a means of keeping up to date on the outlook for farm products between issues of the annual outlook report released in November of each year. The first of these two general situation reports is designed particularly for farmers, while the second is adapted to the requirements of economists, extension workers, and business men.

The Agricultural Situation.—A 24- or 32-page printed periodical issued about the 10th of each month. Contains very brief summaries of the price and production situations for the more important farm products, and a limited number of tables enabling the reader to keep up to date on the current agricultural situation. Brief articles dealing with current economic problems of agriculture also are included. This publication is designed primarily for those who are interested in following the general situation for agriculture from a non-technical standpoint. Free distribution is limited to U. S. Department of Agriculture or State College workers or cooperators, to agricultural libraries, and the press. Others may obtain it from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., at a subscription price of 25 cents a year (foreign rate 45 cents).

The Demand and Price Situation.—A mimeographed monthly review of the factors affecting the domestic and foreign demand for farm products, and of general trends in the prices of farm products, wholesale prices of other products, and farm income. It also contains summaries of the price situation and outlook for the major farm products. This publication is issued for limited distribution about the 15th of each month.

Individual Commodity Situation Reports

For each of the more important farm products for which adequate information is available, a mimeographed report is issued periodically, designed to give a rather complete picture of the supply, demand and price situation for the respective commodities. These situation reports bring up to date the outlook for the several commodities between issues of the annual outlook reports. Tables and charts are included, containing current figures on acreage, yield, production, market movement, stocks, consumption, foreign trade, and prices, with comparisons for other significant periods. From time to time, the results of special studies relating to the prices of the respective commodities are included.

Thus, anyone receiving one of the two general situation reports, and the situation report for the commodity of particular interest, is able to keep up to date on the price situation and outlook between issues of the annual reports.

The Wheat Situation.—Issued about the 23rd of each month. Provides current information on changes in factors which affect the outlook for the production and price of wheat. Also includes observations on foreign conditions as reported by the American agricultural attachés and commissioners in Europe, the Orient and South America. Data and discussion relating to rye also are included.

The Cotton Situation.—Issued about the 25th of each month. Because of legal limitations, no forecasts of cotton prices or domestic production are included, but the report contains the basic data and other information bearing on the outlook, including observations of foreign supply and demand conditions.

The Feed Grain Situation.—Issued about the 25th of March, August, and December. Contains data and text relating to corn, oats, barley, soybeans, grain sorghums, and also hay and pastures. Is designed for producers of livestock, dairy and poultry products, and growers of feed grains.

The Hog Situation.—Issued about the 18th of each month. Contains data and discussion relating to outlook for production and prices of hogs and hog products, both domestic and foreign.

The Beef Cattle Situation.—Issued about the 19th of each month. Provides current information on factors affecting the outlook for production and prices of cattle and calves, including a brief review and analysis of recent developments.

The Sheep and Lamb Situation.—Issued about the 20th of each month. In addition to a review of recent developments and discussion of the short-time outlook for lambs, it contains a brief summary of the wool situation.

The Wool Situation.—Issued about the 9th of each month. Is designed particularly for large growers of and dealers in wool, and for technical workers; not intended to be a popular presentation. It contains tables summarizing a large part of the current information on wool, both domestic and foreign. Growers interested only in a very brief summary of the wool situation probably will find the Sheep and Lamb Situation better adapted to their requirements.

The Dairy Situation.—Issued about the 16th of each month. Covers developments relating to butter, cheese, market milk, and other dairy products, and an analysis of the general production and price situation for these commodities as a group.

The Poultry and Egg Situation.—Issued about the first of each month. Contains discussions of the significance of changes in the situation for poultry and eggs during the past month as they affect the production and price outlook.

The Fruit Situation.—Issued about the 22nd of each month. Contains latest available information on demand, production, marketings, prices, and the outlook for fruits.

The Vegetable Situation.—Issued about the 27th of each month. Covers developments with respect to demand, production, marketings, prices and outlook for vegetables.

The Tobacco Situation.—Issued in January, March, July, and September, about the 26th of the month. Provides current information on changes in the factors which affect the demand for and the supply and prices of the more important types of tobacco produced in the United States.

The Fats and Oils Situation.—Issued about the 14th of each month. Provides statistical information and analyses relating to the group of commodities collectively designated as fats and oils, and from month to month features those aspects of the situation which are especially timely. Report is designed principally for manufacturers, dealers, and others interested in the technical phases of fats and oils. Farmers and others interested in following the outlook for commodities such as flax or soybeans, which are a part of the fats and oils situation, are referred to the spring and fall outlook reports or market reviews dealing with these commodities.

#### OUTLOOK REPORTS

The Agricultural Outlook Report (Annual) is available in November each year. It is prepared by committees of commodity and economic specialists in the Bureau, with the assistance of representatives from other Bureaus in the Department and from the Land-Grant Colleges. After the individual commodity reports have been prepared, they are criticized by the entire group of Department of Agriculture and Land-Grant College representatives in the annual Outlook Conference which is held during the last week of October or the first week of November. The Outlook Report presents statements relating to the current situation and outlook for each of the important farm commodities. It is designed to bring together all the available facts that will help producers make their production and marketing plans for the coming year. The Outlook Report is printed in the Miscellaneous Publication Series for free distribution to farmers.

Seasonal Outlook Report.—Special spring and midsummer outlook reports have been discontinued. The information, however, is provided in special issues of the individual commodity Situation reports.

Outlook Charts.—Charts and maps on subjects covered in the outlook report are issued in the form of bulletins, multilith books, and wall charts. A list of these outlook charts, relating to each annual outlook, is issued for the use of economic workers and teachers. Anyone may buy photographic prints of charts or maps. Prices are 10 cents each for  $8 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ " prints; 10 cents for  $30 \times 40"$  on blue-print paper; 20 cents for  $30 \times 40"$  wall charts on black-line paper; 75 cents for  $30 \times 40"$  wall charts on bromide paper.

Outlook Chart Books.—A series of chart books,  $8 \times 10\frac{1}{2}"$  in size, containing maps and charts on each of the principal crops, livestock, oilseeds, farm family living, demand, credit and prices, with data and explanatory legends, are issued for extension workers.

FARM INCOME REPORTS

Farm income reports are prepared to provide a measure of both monthly and annual changes in farm income. The monthly estimates of farm income are based upon 33 of the more important commodities for which data on monthly sales and monthly prices are available. In recent years the income obtained from these 33 commodities has amounted to 90 to 95 percent of the total income from the sale of farm products. The annual estimates of farm income include the income from 78 crops and 13 items of livestock. The income from these 91 commodities in census years has been more than 98 percent of the total farm income from the sales of all farm products.

Monthly Reports:

Estimate of Cash Income from Farm Marketings, United States.—This report shows monthly estimates of cash income from the sale of farm products and contains a breakdown of the income for major groups of farm commodities. Although the estimates are based upon the sale of 33 commodities, they are adjusted to equal the sales from 91 commodities, and the sum of the monthly estimates for the calendar year is equal to the annual estimate of cash income. Government payments to farmers are shown separately and also in a combined grand total. Issued as a mimeographed report about the 22nd of each month following the month under review.

Receipts from the Sales of Principal Farm Products by States.—These State estimates are based upon the income from 33 of the more important farm commodities and are not adjusted to equal the total income estimate for the State. For the separate States, from 81 to 99 percent of the income from farm marketings of all farm products is received from these 33 commodities. The State estimates of receipts are broken down into receipts from crops, from livestock and livestock products, and from Government payments to farmers. Issued as a mimeographed report about the 6th of the second month following the month under review.

Annual Reports:

Revised estimates of cash and gross income for 1936 and preliminary estimates for 1937 from livestock and livestock products by commodities and by States. To be issued early in the year.

A preliminary estimate of cash income from farm marketings and Government payments for the calendar year will be issued about mid-August. The estimate will include monthly income during the first 7 months of the year and prospective income during the last 5 months. The prospective income from August to December to be estimated from indicated crop conditions in the August Crop Report, livestock numbers on farms, and prospective demand conditions for the remainder of the year.

A preliminary estimate of gross and cash income from sales of crops and home consumption on farms in 1938 will be issued with the December Crop Report or as shortly thereafter as possible. This report will also contain an estimate of gross and cash income by States from the sale of livestock and livestock products which will be subject to revision later in 1939.

Annual Reports (Cont'd):

Income Parity for Agriculture.—In addition to the regular releases on current income in 1938, there will be made available a series of historical releases containing estimates, for a number of farm commodities, of gross and cash income for the United States from 1910 to date and by States for at least the period 1924 to 1937 and, where the data will permit, for a longer period. These releases will be part of the study on Income Parity for Agriculture which, when completed, will provide comparable estimates for the United States from 1910 to date of gross and cash income, the major items of expenditure of farmers in carrying on their productive activities, and of the net income of persons on farms from farming after production expenses are deducted.

Farm Returns.—Annual summaries of reports of individual farmers, each reporting the financial results of his own farm business for the calendar year. Receipts, expenses and other information for described farms are shown as averages. Results are presented as averages in six geographic divisions, but not by States. Farmers who report have farms larger than the averages shown by the Census of Agriculture, hence are not "average" in the usual sense. Broadly, they reflect the shifting conditions from year to year and from one section of the country to another. Issued in mimeographed form for limited distribution.

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL CROP AND MARKET REPORTS

For the purpose of keeping more closely in touch with the world situation with respect to agriculture, the Bureau maintains resident representatives in several foreign countries. Headquarters are in the following cities and the representatives cover the designated territories:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Territory covered</u>
London	United Kingdom, Irish Free State, and British Dominions
Berlin	Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Switzerland, The Netherlands, the Baltic and Scandinavian countries
Belgrade	Danube Basin
Paris	Mediterranean Basin and Belgium
Shanghai	China and Japan
Buenos Aires	Argentina and contiguous countries

In addition to the above resident staff, specialists who give particular attention to certain commodities are located in:

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Headquarters</u>	<u>Territory covered</u>
Tobacco	Calcutta	India
Fruit	London	Europe
Cotton	London	Europe
Tobacco	London	Europe
Livestock, Meats, & Wool	Berlin	Europe

Reports are received from the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, Italy, from members of the Consular Service of the State Department, and from representatives of the Foreign Commerce Service of the Department of Commerce.

Reports from the representatives on foreign crop and market conditions are received by radio, cable, and mail. Current information is released immediately upon receipt (by means of the telegraph, the radio, the press, and the mails) before appearing in Bureau publications.

Foreign Crops and Markets.—The weekly mimeographed publication "Foreign Crops and Markets" is the primary outlet for current crop and market information gathered abroad by Bureau representatives. It is distributed to a limited list of producers, dealers in agricultural products, farm journals, newspapers, educational institutions, and trade organizations, particularly those who are in a position to republish the material or circulate it in agricultural sections.

Foreign Agriculture. -This monthly review was inaugurated in January 1937. The articles in general fall within three broad classifications - (1) foreign government policies relating to agriculture, (2) foreign agricultural production, and (3) international trade in agricultural products. The publication contains a substantial portion of the results of research and investigational work conducted, both in Washington and in the field, on these aspects of the foreign situation. In addition to the full-length articles, most issues contain a number of brief notes on outstanding developments in the foreign agricultural economic field.

Situation Reports. -These reports are issued monthly in most instances (see Situation reports, page 45). They provide an analysis of the factors which affect the outlook for certain agricultural products. Pertinent and timely foreign observations are included.

Foreign Fruit and Nut Crop Prospects. -Latest reports on fruit and nut crop developments in foreign countries are issued monthly in connection with the "Fruit Crop Prospects" report of domestic conditions.

Foreign News Releases (including "Fruit Flashes"). -Short mimeographed reports cover a number of special products, such as apples, citrus fruit, prunes, and certain nuts, and tobacco. In the case of apples, weekly releases are issued during the export season covering European market conditions. Some of the releases on fruits and nuts are being replaced by leased-wire messages to the producing areas that are especially interested in the information.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

COST OF PRODUCTION REPORTS

Annual estimates of the costs of producing corn, wheat, and oats, in groups of States, and of producing cotton in the principal States and in producing regions of the South, based on an annual inquiry as to the details of costs, on area surveys, and on other available information. Costs per acre are shown for eight classes of cost factors and the costs per bushel or per pound are computed. Released annually in "Crops and Markets."

THE FARM REAL ESTATE SITUATION

The Farm Real Estate Situation is an annual report in the regular Circular series of the Department of Agriculture, issued near the close of the calendar year. It covers the previous real-estate year. It reviews briefly the general situation and discusses values in the separate geographical divisions and States and causes of change in values, change in farm ownership including foreclosures and forced and voluntary sales, farm-mortgage credit and taxes, and other factors bearing upon the farm real estate situation. Free on request as long as the supply lasts.

FARM REAL ESTATE TAXES

A report on farm real estate taxes, in the form of taxes per acre, indexes of taxes per acre, and taxes per \$100 of real estate value, is issued each year, to cover the levies of the previous calendar year. Each of the three series is issued by States and geographic divisions. The first two series, which heretofore have covered the period from 1913 to date, hereafter will cover the period from 1890 to date; and the third series will cover the period from 1910 to date. In all States where possible the data represent sample farms for which acreage and tax figures are gathered from local-government officials. In other States corresponding data are obtained from county agricultural agents, or voluntary crop reporters, or from farmers whose names are selected by local officials. For certain States the agricultural experiment stations have furnished the field records. The reports are so weighted as to give estimates covering all farms in all counties, rather than only farms and counties reporting. Issued in mimeographed form. An index of real estate taxes per acre for the United States is published monthly in "The Agricultural Situation."

FARM MORTGAGE LOANS OF LEADING LENDING AGENCIES

This statistical report shows the amount of outstanding farm-mortgage loans by States held by leading lending agencies at the end of each year. Data are included for the Federal land banks and Land Bank Commissioner, life insurance companies, joint stock land banks, commercial banks and three State credit agencies. Issued annually in mimeographed form.

AGRICULTURAL LOANS OF COMMERCIAL BANKS

Data on agricultural loans held by all insured commercial banks, by States, issued semiannually, as of December 31 and June 30. Loans are classified into two groups: (1) personal and collateral loans and (2) loans secured by farm real estate. Issued in mimeographed form. Earlier data are contained in Technical Bulletin 521, "Agricultural Loans of Commercial Banks."

#### ESTIMATED TOTAL FARM MORTGAGE DEBT

Estimates of the total farm mortgage debt and number of farms mortgaged, by tenure and by States, are issued for census years. Beginning with 1936, annual estimates of total mortgage debt by States are being compiled. Estimates for intercensal years are based on holdings of leading agencies and upon data relating to mortgages filed and released for other agencies. Issued annually in mimeographed form.

#### WORLD INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Indexes of world industrial production are compiled on a monthly basis and the series extend back to 1920. Industrial output of 10 of the most important consuming countries is included, the index of industrial production for each country being weighted by its relative importance as a consumer of primary raw materials and foodstuffs. Data are presented in two series, total world production and world production excluding the United States. Issued monthly in typewritten form only.

#### BANKRUPTCIES AMONG FARMERS COMPARED WITH TOTAL BANKRUPTCIES

This annual report shows the number of bankruptcy cases concluded in the fiscal year ending June 30. The number of all bankruptcies, the number of cases involving farmers, and the percentage of such farmer bankruptcies to all cases are shown. The data are compiled from the annual reports of the Attorney General and are tabulated by States and geographic divisions. Issued annually in mimeographed form. Earlier data are contained in U.S.D.A. Circular No. 414, "Farmer Bankruptcies, 1898-1935."

#### DEPOSITS OF COUNTRY BANKS

Indexes of net demand deposits of member banks of the Federal Reserve System, located in places of less than 15,000 population are compiled for three groups of States. One group consists of the 20 leading agricultural States, excluding California. The second group of States includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and South Carolina. The third group includes Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Nebraska. The monthly indexes have 1923-4-5 monthly average as the base. Issued semi-annually in mimeographed form. Monthly data available in typewritten form. Earlier data are available in Technical Bulletin No. 575, "Demand Deposits of Country Banks."

#### FARM POPULATION ESTIMATES

Annual estimates are made of the number of persons living on farms, the movement from farms to towns and cities and from towns and cities to farms, as well as the number of births and deaths in the farm population. These figures are based on returns from farmers, supplemented by vital statistics and census data. Besides the total figures for the United States there are tables by geographic divisions. Released about May 1 each year in mimeographed form and a summary printed later in "The Agricultural Situation."

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"AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS LITERATURE"

Agricultural Economics Literature is prepared by the Library of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Its purpose is to aid agricultural economists in keeping abreast of the literature in their various fields at the minimum expenditure of time. It attempts to record the literature relating to agricultural economics which has been received in the library during the previous month. Each issue contains a few reviews of important books made by the specialists in the Bureau and elsewhere. There are descriptive notes and abstracts of other publications, and each issue contains the following regular features: State Publications Relating to Agricultural Economics; U. S. Department of Agriculture Publications, Economic in Character, Including both Printed and Mimeographed Material; a list of Periodical Articles Relating to Agricultural Economics obtained by reading a large number of domestic and foreign periodicals; and a Selected List of Recent Reviews. Lists of new periodicals and of bibliographies in the field of agricultural economics are included from time to time. An author and subject index covering the material included in each volume is made upon its completion, thus providing a useful key to the agricultural economic publications of the previous year. Agricultural Economics Literature appears every month except July and August. It is distributed to officials, Federal and State workers in agricultural economics, economic libraries, and others who cooperate with the Department.

"COTTON LITERATURE"

Cotton Literature - Selected References is prepared each month in the Library of the United States Department of Agriculture with the cooperation of the Bureaus of Agricultural Economics, Plant Industry, and Entomology and Plant Quarantine. The purpose of this mimeographed publication is to select from the mass of current literature on cotton those books and articles that are of interest to workers in the Department of Agriculture and to bring them promptly to the attention of these workers. It is distributed to Government officials, libraries, workers in agricultural colleges and experiment stations and other institutions, and individuals who can show a need for it.

"THE LAND POLICY REVIEW"

The Land Policy Review is a monthly publication covering the general field of land use planning and land programs in the Bureau of Agricultural Economics and other branches of the Department. Its purpose is to help workers in the Department and in the various cooperating State and federal agencies keep informed on current developments in the field of land policy and on the progress of various land use programs. "The Land Policy Review" replaces "Land Policy Circular" issued by the former Resettlement Administration. It is distributed to workers in the Department and to members of other State and federal agencies active in the field of land utilization, as well as to libraries and educational institutions.

#### "CROPS AND MARKETS"

Crops and Markets is a printed monthly publication of the Department of Agriculture. It carries market statistics under these general classes: Livestock, meats, and wool; dairy and poultry products; grain; feed, and seed; and cotton. It contains production statistics including complete and detailed reports of the crop reporting service, prices received by farmers, intentions-to-plant-and-breed reports, and special articles of economic and statistical interest concerning leading agricultural products prepared by the staff of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Distribution is limited by Public Resolution 57 to Department employees, staff members of agricultural colleges, cooperators, agricultural libraries, and the press. It can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office at a subscription price of \$1 a year (foreign rate \$1.50).

#### "THE AGRICULTURAL SITUATION"

The Agricultural Situation.-A monthly, printed publication. (See Situation and Outlook Reports, page 45.)

#### "FOREIGN AGRICULTURE"

Foreign Agriculture.-A monthly publication. (See Foreign Agricultural Crop and Market Reports, page 50.)

#### "FOREIGN CROPS AND MARKETS"

Foreign Crops and Markets.-A weekly publication. (See Foreign Agricultural Crop and Market Reports, page 50.)

#### "FARM POPULATION AND RURAL LIFE ACTIVITIES"

Farm Population and Rural Life Activities is a multigraphed report issued quarterly for investigators, teachers, and extension workers in the field of rural sociology. It is designed to aid rural social research by bringing to the attention of workers, in that field, new projects started and the scientific results of projects under way or completed. Distributed to cooperators.

#### "MARKETING ACTIVITIES"

Marketing Activities and other Economic Work, issued weekly, contains current information relating to the agricultural marketing activities carried on by the State bureaus or division of markets, the State agricultural colleges and the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and the work in all phases of agricultural economics being done by these agencies. Methods of work in research, teaching, and extension, as well as projects and results are reported. Distributed to Federal, State, and college workers and cooperators in agricultural economics and marketing.

STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES

COTTON STANDARDS AND CLASSING

Practical forms of the Official Standards of the United States for the grade and length of staple of American upland and American Egyptian cotton and of the standard grades of cotton linters are furnished at a nominal price to exchanges and others; the classification of cotton and cotton linters, under the United States cotton standards act, is performed upon request for individual owners or in connection with arbitration; classifiers and samplers of cotton and of linters are licensed under the United States cotton standards act; all cotton intended for delivery upon the futures contracts of the New York and New Orleans Cotton Exchanges and the Chicago Board of Trade is classified; and estimates are published concerning the grade and staple of the cotton carryover each year and of the crop as produced.

COTTONSEED STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards for the grading of cottonseed offered or sold for crushing purposes, have been established. An inspection service has been set up at 82 important points in the States of Mississippi, Tennessee, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, and Louisiana. Practically all cottonseed is marketed on the basis of the standards in the States where the inspection service is maintained.

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS STANDARDS AND INSPECTION

Official standards for individual eggs and tentative standards for butter, American whole milk cheese, churning cream, dressed poultry, and dressed domestic rabbits have been established. Butter and cheese grading services are available at 11 terminal markets. An egg-grading service is available at 11 markets and through cooperative agreements with State Departments of Agriculture and other agencies at shipping points in Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, North Carolina, Nebraska, and Florida. Dressed-poultry grading is conducted at Washington, D. C., New York City, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, Seattle, Portland, St. Louis, San Francisco, and Los Angeles and at several other points it is done for Federal agencies. Shipping-point grading of dressed poultry is carried on at a number of points in Kansas, Missouri, Minnesota, and Nebraska. Live poultry is inspected at New York City and Newark, N. J. Dressed-poultry inspection is conducted at 29 poultry-canning plants, plants preparing full-drawn poultry, and for plants that furnish Government-inspected poultry to poultry canneries. For a short period previous to Thanksgiving and Christmas a turkey-grading service is operated at more than 50 shipping points in 13 States. Shipping-point grading service is conducted on butter at Minneapolis, Duluth, and Mankato, Minnesota; Dubuque and Mason City, Iowa; Los Angeles, California; and Seattle, Washington.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE STANDARDS AND INSPECTION

Standards for 60 commodities, including honey, asparagus plumosus, mushrooms, pecans, and peanuts, have now been established by the Bureau. As two or more sets of standards are necessary for different types of the same commodity if they vary widely, a total of 89 standards has been issued.

Most of the standards for fruits and vegetables are for those consumed in the fresh state but standards have been issued for a few commodities purchased by canners for canning purposes. Under cooperative agreements with 45 States, inspection is offered at important shipping points on all products for which standards have been established and on a few others for which no standards have been recommended, certification being by description. Inspection is also available for all products at 45 terminal markets where inspectors are located and in all other terminal markets which can be conveniently reached from these points. Special arrangements are made for inspection for the U. S. Navy, the Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation and other Agricultural Adjustment Administration activities, other Federal agencies, and for national and local emergency relief organizations. Other special arrangements include those for fruit auctions, railroad companies, cold storages, canners, steamship companies, one county and two large municipalities which asks for Federal inspection on fresh fruits and vegetables for all their institutions.

#### CANNED FRUIT AND VEGETABLE STANDARDIZATION AND GRADING

Tentative standards for grades covering practically all canned vegetables have been developed. Official standards for grades have been promulgated for 5 commodities. Tentative standards for grades for most canned fruit have been developed and others are under consideration. A grading service on canned fruits and vegetables is available in several terminal markets.

#### STANDARDS FOR CONTAINERS

Under the U. S. Standard Container Acts of 1916 and 1928, standards have been promulgated for climax baskets, berry boxes, till baskets, hampers, round stave baskets (including the straight-side types), and splint or market baskets. The Bureau maintains a testing laboratory to which samples of such containers may be submitted for examination as to their compliance with the above acts.

#### GRAIN STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

The U. S. Grain Standards Act authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to establish official standards for grain and to license inspectors to apply such standards and to handle appeals from inspections performed by licensees. The act provides, in effect; that if grain be sold by grade and shipped in interstate or foreign commerce, the official standards must be used and the grain must be inspected by a licensed inspector if it moves from or to a point at which inspection is maintained. The Secretary of Agriculture has promulgated official standards for corn, wheat, oats, rye, grain sorghums, feed oats, mixed feed oats, barley, flaxseed, and mixed grain. Official grain inspection is now maintained at 173 markets throughout the country at which 399 licensed inspectors perform service. These licensees are not employees of the Federal Government. They derive their compensation from States, boards of trade, and chambers of commerce. In addition, the Federal Department maintains a force, known as Federal Grain Supervision, whose duty it is to handle appeals from grades assigned by licensees and to supervise the work of licensees to insure correct and uniform application of the standards.

#### RICE STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

Official United States standards have been promulgated for rough, brown, and milled rice. A permissive rice-inspection service is conducted under the authority contained in the annual appropriation acts of the Congress for the inspection of certain agricultural commodities and under cooperative agreements with the State Departments of Agriculture in Louisiana and California. Rice-inspection laboratories and inspection service are in operation at 8 of the most important rice-marketing centers in Louisiana and California. In addition a sampling service for obtaining official samples for rice inspection and grading purposes is in operation at the principal rice marketing and milling centers in the rice-producing areas in the Southern States and California and at the principal distributing centers for milled rice throughout the United States. The sampling and inspection are conducted partly by Federal employees and partly by a personnel licensed or authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture. The sampling and inspection work of the licensed inspectors is supervised by a Federal rice inspection supervision personnel through field headquarters offices at New Orleans, and San Francisco.

#### HAY AND STRAW STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards have been promulgated for the principal kinds of hay and straw produced in Continental United States. Tentative standards have been issued for ground alfalfa. Under cooperative agreements with State Departments of Agriculture, commercial exchanges, chambers of commerce, farmers' cooperative associations or similar organizations, hay inspection service is offered at 32 important shipping points and 24 terminal or reconsignment markets. Inspections also are made at 60 U. S. Army posts. Fourteen States have adopted United States grades for hay as official State standards.

#### BEAN STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards for all classes of beans have been promulgated, including the provision for the determination and certification of dockage and defects in thresher-run beans without reference to grade. Federal or Federal-State inspection has been established at shipping points in 8 leading bean-producing States and at 11 important terminal markets. The standards have been adopted as the official standards of the State Departments of Agriculture in California, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and New York.

#### SOYBEAN STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards for soybeans have been promulgated and an inspection service has been established at 44 important shipping points and terminal markets through cooperative agreements with State and trade organizations. Five States - North Carolina, Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota, and California - have adopted the U. S. Standards as official State standards. Practically all soybeans shipped to mills are purchased on the basis of U. S. No. 2 grade and over 85 percent of these are inspected at destination. Export sales are consummated on the basis of Federal inspection at port of shipment final.

#### DRY PEA STANDARDIZATION AND INSPECTION

United States standards have been promulgated and shipping-point inspection for grade and dockage is now available in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana, and in many terminal markets where official samplers are located. This service has been used with unusual success in Washington and Idaho. Official standards also have been promulgated for split-peas, and their use in grading and marketing this commodity is increasing.

#### BROOMCORN STANDARDIZATION

Standards for broomcorn have been issued and copies of the standards may be had on application.

#### SEED VERIFICATION SERVICE

A seed-verification service covering alfalfa and red clover seed provides for the issuance of certificates that in effect guarantee the origin of these seeds to be as stated on these certificates. Ninety-two seed dealers in 24 States, who usually handle 85 percent or more of the alfalfa seed produced in Central and Northern States and a considerable portion of the red clover seed, are enrolled in this voluntary service.

#### TOBACCO CLASSIFICATION AND STANDARDIZATION

Under the U. S. Tobacco Stocks and Standards Act, the Department of Agriculture has issued an official classification for American types of tobacco. The classification forms the basis by which statistics of acreage, production, stocks, and value of tobacco are compiled and published. Also upon the basis of this classification the tobacco inspection service and the tobacco market news service are maintained. In 1935 Congress amended the Act to provide for the publication of an annual report on tobacco statistics, and for the publication of reports on stocks of leaf tobacco in Puerto Rico.

Tentative standard grades have been established for many of the types of tobacco produced in the United States and preliminary work has been done on practically all the remaining types. The Tobacco Inspection Act approved August 23, 1935, provides not only for permissive inspection but for mandatory inspection of tobacco on markets to be designated by the Secretary of Agriculture when a favorable referendum has been held.

#### STANDARDIZATION OF LIVESTOCK

Official standards have been promulgated for the following: Slaughter cattle including steers, cows, heifers, bulls, and stags, slaughter calves, and vealers. Tentative standards have been published for the following: (a) Stocker and feeder steers (6 grades); stocker and feeder heifers (6 grades); stocker and feeder cows (5 grades); stocker and feeder bulls (5 grades) and stocker and feeder calves (5 grades). (b) Slaughter barrows and gilts (4 grades); (c) Slaughter lambs (6 grades) and slaughter ewes (6 grades).

### STANDARDIZATION OF MEATS

Official class and grade standards have been issued for beef, veal, calf, lamb, and mutton; standards for pork, sausage, and prepared meats are still in tentative form.

### STANDARDIZATION OF HIDES AND SKINS

Tentative standards have been drafted and published for the following: Butcher and country hides; kip skins and calf skins.

### STANDARDIZATION OF WOOL AND WOOL TOPS

Official standards for the grades of wool and wool top, on the basis of diameter of fiber, have been promulgated by the Department of Agriculture under the U. S. Wool Standards Act. Practical forms of the standards are issued at a nominal charge for educational and commercial use.

### MEAT GRADING SERVICE

A Federal meat-grading service, including grading and stamping for grade of beef, veal, calf, lamb, mutton, pork carcasses and cuts, sausage and prepared meats, is available in the following large wholesale markets; Phoenix, Ariz.; Baltimore, Md.; Boston, Mass.; Buffalo and New York, N. Y.; Chicago and National Stock Yards, Ill.; Columbus, Cleveland, Dayton, Piqua and Cincinnati, Ohio; Detroit, Mich.; Kansas City, St. Louis, and St. Joseph, Mo.; Omaha, Nebr.; Philadelphia and Erie, Pa.; Louisville, Ky.; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif.; Seattle, Wash.; So. St. Paul, Minn., and nearby points; Kansas City and Wichita, Kans.; Sioux City, Iowa; Wheeling, W. Va.; and Washington, D. C.

The general meat-grading service, including all meats and meat products, is extensively used by Federal, State and city institutions, dining-car departments, steamship lines, hotels, and restaurants. The beef, lamb, sausage and prepared meat grading and stamping or certifying service is broadly used by wholesalers and retailers at the points where graders are stationed. Large quantities of graded meats are thus made available for shipment to all points in the United States.

### MEAT CUTTING AND PRICING METHODS

Tables included in a publication with the above title indicate percentages of wholesale and trimmed retail cuts of beef, veal, and lamb in the carcass and the percentages of wholesale pork cuts and pork products in 100 pounds live weight. Three methods of retail cutting are illustrated by means of a chart. The tables indicate a method to follow in ascertaining what retail meat prices shall be, based upon a given cost and a certain desired gross margin.

### WAREHOUSE LICENSING

Under the U. S. Warehouse Act the Bureau licenses such warehousemen for the storing of farm products as apply for license and can meet the specified requirements. Because of the requirements imposed preliminary to

licensing and the supervision exercised after licensing, receipts issued by such warehousemen are recognized as preferred collateral for loans by many banks and especially by the various governmental loaning agencies. Warehouses for the storing of cotton, grain, broomcorn, wool, tobacco, dry beans, dried fruit, cold-pack fruit, cherries in brine, syrup, nuts, seeds, canned foods, and cottonseed are among those so licensed.

#### PRODUCE AGENCY ACT ENFORCEMENT

Investigations of apparent violations of the U. S. Produce Agency Act are made upon receipt of complaints filed by growers or shippers accompanied by all papers relating to the transaction. This act relates to perishable farm products received in interstate commerce on behalf of another, and makes failure to account or the rendering of a false accounting report, knowingly and with intent to defraud, a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment. Service and Regulatory Announcement 107 (B.A.E.) contains the text of the Produce Agency Act and regulations governing its enforcement.

#### PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES ACT

The U. S. Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act requires all commission merchants, dealers, and brokers who handle fresh fruits and/or fresh vegetables, in interstate or foreign commerce, to secure a license from the Department of Agriculture. The annual license fee is \$10. The act makes it unlawful to make a fraudulent charge; to reject or fail to deliver in accordance with the terms of the contract or to dump without reasonable cause; to make any fraudulent statement in connection with any transaction involving such commodity; to fail to account correctly; to misrepresent the quality, condition or origin of any commodity; or to remove or tamper with any notice on a car or package containing a certificate as to the grade of the commodity contained therein. Punishment may be by publication of the facts or by suspension or revocation of license. The Secretary of Agriculture may determine the amount of damages and order their payment. Upon non-payment of damages as ordered or failure to appeal to court within 30 days the party's license becomes automatically suspended until payment is made.

Investigations of apparent violations of this act are made on complaint of interested persons. Preliminary complaints may be made by telegraph if conditions demand and will be handled by the Department in the same way. Complaints not settled in this way and those in which such quick action is not necessary may be made the subject of formal complaint, which should be accompanied by true copies of all available supporting papers. Service and Regulatory Announcement 121 (B.A.E.) contains the text of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, the regulations governing its enforcement, and a statement interpreting some of its provisions.

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